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## THE ENGLISH TV SOCCER SCAM!

A SPECIAL PROBE BY ASW EDITOR — FRANK COLETTA

FOR THOSE OF YOU who are avid UK soccer followers and who love seeing ample coverage of the British scene on that little miracle we call TV there is a clear message ... don't hold your breath waiting for too much this season!

It is now a known fact that all the commercial TV stations have discarded all soccer coverage, leaving the round-ball follower hanging like the proverbial 'shag on a rock.'

The fact is that if soccer viewing was our bread and butter and SBS TV and the ABC were not in existence — we would starve!

Certainly we in Australia are going one better than the poor old POMS back in the old darts ... they will see not a thing this season as against our viewing of Big League Soccer on the ABC.

A spokesman for ATN SEVEN said this morning, "With the very limited number of programmes available from England, Channel 7 has decided not to pursue English soccer coverage."

"The fact is that not all the programmes that were available last year are available this year and the one we previously screened (Big League Soccer) is no longer available."

"For this reason, no soccer will be screened on our network."

A sad fact that has arisen is that the commercial stations are no longer interested in soccer, an example being Network TEN's purchasing of the rights to the North American Football League (to the uneducated Yanks ... Gridiron), not forgetting the complete overlooking of our National scores on a couple of commercial stations.

All is not lost though, ABC TV and SBS are steadying the rocky boat. SBS, as ever, will con-

tinue to serve up the best in world and local soccer.

'Aunty' has succeeded where ATN failed ... in securing the rights to the immensely popular Big League Soccer, hosted by the excellent Brian Moore.

The programme will be screened every Tuesday around 10.30 p.m., too late for any youngsters and in fact a little too late for most soccer enthusiasts.

An ABC spokesman told ASW, "Being the only programme released out of England we have decided to take up Big League Soccer."

"The dispute over the rights for the show was resolved a few weeks ago and the telecasting began on September 2."

Already we have been able to watch the Manchester United victory in the first round and the West Ham-Liverpool clash.

On the popular Sun-

day morning show - Sportsworld, ATN Seven's Rex Mossop let it be known what is happening.

"We have had a host of phone calls regarding coverage of the English soccer."

"Well it seems we won't be getting any coverage because the Pommies cannot sort themselves out of contractual disputes they are involved in."

SEVEN's Sport correspondent in England, Stephen Phillips, said: "Over here in England the multi-million dollar sponsors don't want to know about soccer any longer following terrible scenes such as the Brussels disaster."

"They are looking elsewhere, not wanting anything to do with the Football League any longer. They are moving into fields such as athletics."

"Even though they are becoming embroiled in hassles such as the

'shamateurism', being amateurs receiving appearance money and other payments, the sponsors are unperturbed, just wanting to get away from the violence that surrounds soccer."

The fact is now quite clear, that the idiocies involved with tragedies such as Brussels, Bradford and the Azteca Stadium carnage, are having irrevocable effects on the world's greatest game.

People are frightened to go out and watch a game of soccer. A hard-hitting fact is that they simply will not go back, no matter how hard the respective organisations attempt to bring them back.

The whole system in England has been turned upside down and one only has to look at what sort of adverse effects all the senseless violence is causing.

So far in the 1985-86 season, only the all-conquering Manchester United (who have won all their matches in sweeping all before them) are drawing decent crowds.

One must feel for the

English F.A. and the respective clubs; no money is coming in through gate takings and there are no rights to sell!

There is now a doubt over whether we in Australia will be able to follow that spine-tingling English showpiece, The Road To Wembley, via the tube.

Channel Nine have unceremoniously dumped the most prestigious British competition; but before you reach for the rope and tighten the noose ... WAIT!

Inevitably SBS may once again come to the rescue of the beleaguered soccer supporters down under.

SBS's soccer expert, Les Murray spoke to ASW yesterday and said: "We have certainly been offered the Road to Wembley series but whether we take it on depends on the costs and terms, as do most things."

"We have replied to the offer but we don't know anything for certain as yet."

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Bryan Robson holds the coveted FA Cup aloft, something we may miss out on seeing this season.

## SYDNEY CROATIA ALL THE RAGE

BY FRANK COLETTA

SYDNEY CROATIA obviously a little perturbed at not taking out this year's national crown, have set about rectifying this by making an all-out plunder of the transfer market.

Their first priority is to get the signature of Blacktown City sweeper Robbie Wheatley.

The story which ASW had kept under wraps for a fortnight was broken in the Sydney Morning Herald this week by ace writer, Ray Gatt.

When ASW spoke to Blacktown secretary, Graham Ikin, he made it quite clear the young defender was all but gone.

"Robbie wants to go, there is little question about this. He acknowledges the Blacktown club has been good to him but he seems intent

on moving on," said Ikin.

"Obviously it would be a hard blow for us to take but if he has his mind set on it, there is little we can do."

When questioned whether Croatia's better standing overall in the eyes of the soccer fraternity and moreover in the eyes of national coaches could have been the point which swayed Wheatley more than anything else, Ikin replied:

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Neville Southall is beaten by Norman Whiteside (observed) in last years FA Cup Final. Will we see another telecast of the English showpiece on TV?



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He added, "It must be remembered that rights such as the one to the FA Cup are so expensive. It may well depend on what our budget is like; in fact it is bound to."

"The package would probably include the F.A. Cup Final telecast and that doesn't cost

peanuts. There is the possibility it will be too much for us but we will do our best to get hold of the Road to Wembley as long as the terms are all right.

"The Cup Final night is a cultural thing so it is hoped that Australian soccer supporters won't miss out on it."

It is hoped that SBS can secure this coup as there are too many people

that want to follow the Road to Wembley.

As for next year's World Cup finals, the rights are well and truly secured by the ABC, which is a good thing although let us hope we see more of the early round matches than last time.

The ABC must agree that it would be very worthwhile to telecast more matches and not be

hounded by disgruntled viewers throughout the tournament as previously happened.

Good news is that SBS may negotiate with the ABC and with a little co-operation, we may see so much from Mexico that Australia will go down in history as having the record number of insomniacs during the World Cup!

For now let's just count our blessings that SBS and the ABC are around because back in England, British Networks and the Football League are still deadlocked on TV rights negotiations and when the season began three weeks ago, there were no cameras at the grounds!

ABOVE and BELOW: TV stations are turning away from Soccer and taking on coverage such as Wrestling and American Football (Gridiron).



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"Being a true Blacktown man at heart I'd hope not. Though with a realistic outlook on things I would say, probably yes."

"Robbie has yearned for some time to play for Australia. It is a known fact to me that other than anything else in this world, Robbie wants to represent his country at full level."

"Sure he has played at Youth level but that for him is not enough: it is a good reflection on the kid that he is striving so hard for this goal."

He continued to explain his failure to comprehend Wheatley's continual omissions from representative teams.

"I find it hard to believe he still hasn't represented Australia. It shouldn't need him to play for a big club (like Croatia) to represent."

Nor are Croatia only after Wheatley, but they are poised to grab Socceroo defender, Robbie Dunn from Preston and Canberra City's dynamic striker Manis Lamond.

Croatian coach Vedran Rozic confirmed

during the week that his club was chasing the trio to build up its already healthy playing staff.

These signings are part of a concerted bid to go one better than its second to Sydney City this season.

Lamond is regarded as one of the most exciting prospects in the National League and the strongly built Dunn is a more than competent central defender.

The acquisitions of Wheatley and Dunn should come as no surprise to soccer followers as Croatia deficiencies, if there were any, came from their defence.

What an imposing sight a defence containing the likes of Rozic, Wheatley and Dunn would create.

Although missing much of the season through hepatitis, Wheatley along with both Dunn and Lamond polled well in the inaugural National Rothmans Medal.

Lamond would add even more explosive power to a front-line that blitzed many a defence this season.

Again the prospects of

this Croatian attacking machine boggle the mind.

Although it seems likely that one of their forwards who was in the

news quite a bit this year may well be moving on they still have the necessary firepower to give the championship a real shake next year.



Robert Wheatley ... will he be appearing in a Sydney Croatia shirt next season?

## 'NODDY' SACKED

WOLLONGONG City directors have sacked coach Adrian Alston and will appoint his successor by the end of the month.

The board announced their decision to advertise the job after a meeting last week, Alston having previously indicated he would not apply if they advertised.

"It is obvious they don't want me to stay on," Alston said.

"I thought I had done enough to keep the job but it seems I would have to look elsewhere if I want to keep coaching."

Alston has just completed his second season with the Wolves and has helped them steer clear of relegation.

They lost only two of their last ten games and most Wolves supporters thought he did well considering the limited finance at his disposal.

Anti-Alston faction within the club seemed determined to have him axed and they had the numbers.

Alston could easily have been sacked midway through the season.

When the team played Leichhardt in Wollongong it was no secret Alston's job was on the line if his team lost.

As it turned out Wollongong won that game 1-0.

Alston has submitted his terms for coaching in 1986 before the board meeting was held.

The former World Cup striker said that he was disappointed with the club decision but had no axe to grind with the board.

"I just feel sad for the players sake because they did such a great job for me towards the end of the season and I would have liked to stay on with them," Alston said.

"There is a lot of young talent in Wollongong and I wanted to stay in the job to build a top team in the City."

Club chairman Laurie Kelly told ASW he thought Alston would have applied for the job when it was advertised.

"There was a lot of feeling amongst board members at our meeting and it went for a long time before a decision was reached," Kelly said.

"We appreciate the job Alston did in keeping the team in the National League."

Kelly said the club advertisement will appear in the Wollongong Mercury and Australian Soccer Weekly.

— PHIL MURPHY

## The Editor

YOUNG SPORTSMEN often find it difficult to break through into the top grade but it seems nowadays when they do, it is often hard to stay there, mainly for the monetary side of things.

This week it was brought to my attention by some concerned parents of the Australian Schoolboys team that they are in dire need of financial support, as they are trooping off to Europe to represent their country.

Each fellow needs to find \$3,000 to make the flight and most of them are finding it terribly hard.

If there are any willing sponsors ASW would be only too pleased to make a note of them and pass them on to the coach, Chris James.

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THIS weekend Australia begins its World Cup campaign against those perennial rivals, New Zealand.

The job of both sides has not been made any easier following Israel's whitewash of Taiwan.

The first match was a 6-0 drubbing and the second a classy 5-0 shut out.

Let's hope we start off on the right foot by taking the Kiwis to task and not look ahead to a possible meeting with Scotland ... there is a long way to go before we meet them.

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IT would be remiss of me not to congratulate the winners of our major national awards.

NSL-ASPA Player of the year, Graham Honeyman and the National Rothmans Gold Medal winner, Jimmy Patikas.

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MEMO: FRANK AROK.

How you can justify leaving Anthony Franken out of the National squad is beyond me!

Anthony is without doubt one of the best keepers Australia has produced and he must have in most peoples eyes been pushing Terry Greedy very hard for the No. 1 Australian jumper.

Meaning no disrespect to good and safe keepers such as Jeff Olver and Mike Gibson, Franken leaves them all for dead, with Greedy and Yakka Banovic his only real threats.

We have now heard that Franken has threatened to quit soccer and take up cricket ... let us hope it is just a case of a rash and impetuous decision because we cannot afford to lose such talent.

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WHILST on the subject of ROTHMANS, I must congratulate them for a lavish evening on Friday for the National Rothmans Medal.

With so much bickering going on nowadays about cigarette advertising in sport, it is great to see Rothmans standing up to be counted against these imbeciles who seemingly have nothing better to do than go around complaining about tobacco companies and the like being allowed to advertise in sport.

It is a fact that without these companies all sports would invariably struggle to stay afloat, so a big THANK YOU ROTHMANS seems very appropriate.

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IT WAS interesting to see TERRY NEILL meet up with a past charger from his Arsenal managerial days, namely Australian captain, JOHN KOSMINA.

It was at the Rothmans dinner on Friday and whilst discussing John's departing from Highbury, Neill made it quite clear that 'Kossie' had the class to make it but he added, "He found it fairly difficult to adjust to the cold conditions in England."

One thing is for sure, he is not the first nor will he be the last!


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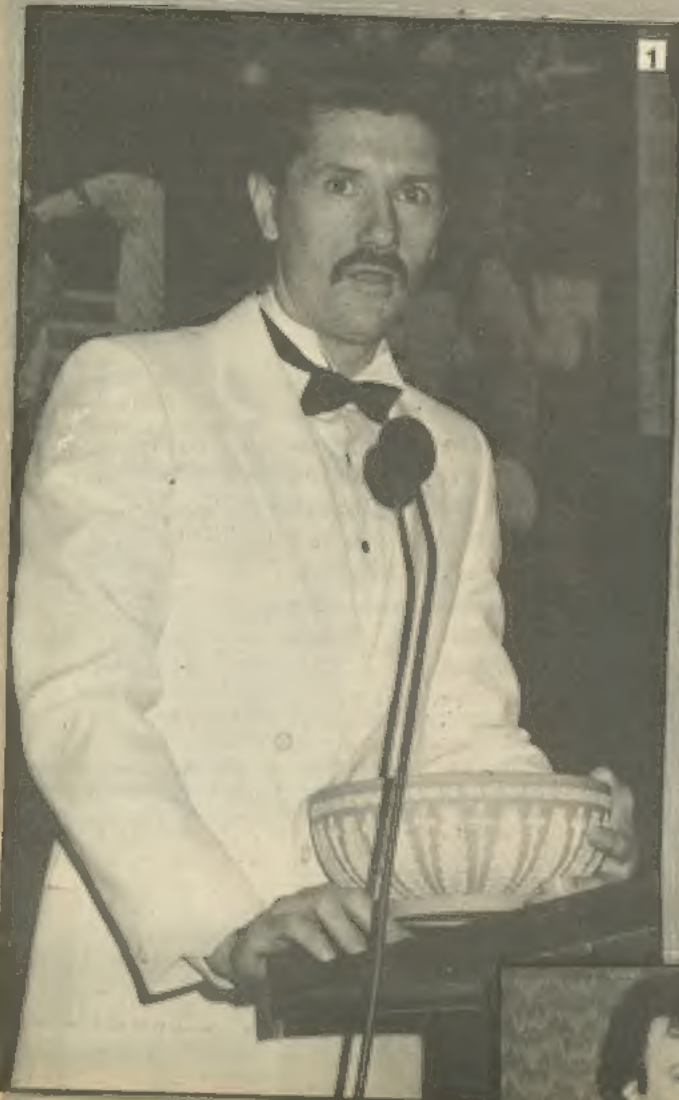
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# NSL-ASPA AWARDS NIGHT IN PICTURES



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1—Graham Honeyman, receives his Wedgewood Bowl as ASPA-NSL Player of the Year.  
2—Brunswick Juventus President, Tony Schiavella is presented with the Olympic Airways National League Trophy by Olympic Airways General Manager, Peter Joannides.  
3—Alan Hunter receives the 'Soccer Action' Under 21 award.  
4—The AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY Coach of the Year Award is won by Sydney City's Eddie Thomson. Pictured with him are John Economos (ASW) and Spiros Metallinos (Melbourne Manager of Foreign Language Publications).  
5—Charlie Egan — Top Goalscorer in NSL (18 goals).  
6—Don Campbell — Referee of the Year.  
7—Oscar Crino — Most Entertaining Player of the Year.



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# CHIT CHAT

**TERRY NEILL**, former Arsenal and Spurs manager, has no permanent club position right now, but he does plenty of work for FIFA's Technical Committee.

In Sydney this week for the two Rothmans Medal dinners, Neill spoke of the changes he has noticed in world football after attending recent World Cup and Olympic Games tournaments.

"You cannot but be impressed by the standard of football played by nations we used to laugh about a few years ago," said Terry.

"For instance, teams from Cameroon, Norway, Nigeria, Iceland and such countries are capable now of beating the well-established countries."

When ASW asked Terry if Australia had any hope of beating Scotland - should the teams meet in the World Cup - he answered: "Certainly. Why not? It would be foolish to write off the chances of any team these days."

"Ten years ago, you wouldn't have even asked me that question."

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**ROTHMANS** held an informal buffet lunch at Sydney's Sheraton Wentworth so the media could meet **TERRY NEILL** on the day before he presented the National League Rothmans Medal.

Neill was frankly critical of British football, in particular the way the season was now much too long, causing players to play too many matches.

"Take an honest player like **BRYAN ROBSON** who always gives everything. By the end of each season, he is almost worn out," said Neill.

"At the same time, the coaches, managers, media and even the spectators are terribly jaded and no longer look forward to the start of a new season."

Reminds us of **KEVIN KEEGAN**'s comments when asked why he moved from Liverpool to SV Hamburg. Said Keegan: "You play about 35 games in the German season and it can be up to 80 in England. That's one of the main reasons I got out of England."

**NEIL McGACHEY** is in the UK scouting for players for West Adelaide.

The coach left last week with the names of 20 players interested in coming to Australia.

McGachey contacted various clubs and the Players' Union in Scotland and England for possible candidates.

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**EVEN** though **MARSHALL SOPER** has copped a rolicking for his decision to quit the Socceroos, his move must be taken in its correct context.

Said the man the Olympic supporters call, 'Soper the Greek': "You can't eat glory. And the prestige of being in the Socceroo World Cup squad does not pay the mortgage or feed my wife and child."

It is a tribute to the much-maligned striker that he has been able to take a firm stand and stick by his decision to put his family before all else.

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**CONFUSION** reigned supreme last Wednesday night at the **DEZ MARTON** testimonial.

The fans had every reason to be a little confused as the organisers had forgotten to tell them the match would be played in three parts.

One went as far as running to the press box to demand his money back!

**FEARS** that Adelaide City and West Adelaide would not be allowed dual registration for their players next year have been dispelled.

The SA Soccer Federation First Division management committee has recommended that the pair be allowed to field as many NSL players as they want in their First and Second Division teams.

Beograd had complained that West stacked its side to avoid relegation and in beating them robbed them of the league title.

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**GUESS** who is the youngest player in the present Australian World Cup squad?

If you went for one of the former Youth Socceroo stars, you were wrong, because the answer is **MIKE PETERSEN**.

Petersen is only just 20. On recent form, he has a bright future.

Talking about players' ages, the Australian Soccer Federation has made an unfortunate blunder in its pen pictures, issued to the media, of the Socceroo squad.

**ZARKO ODZAKOV**'s age is listed at 19. Maybe 29 might have been nearer the mark!

Also, **JOHN KOSMINA**'s age is given as 31. We don't think Kossie has celebrated his 30th birthday yet.

**ROD BROWN** of Marconi has virtually no chance of playing a part in the World Cup elimination matches - a great disappointment for the big red-head who is on the fringe of Australia's national team.

Coach Frank Arok had planned to use Brown in matches against the touring Chinese team, but a doctor has advised Brown to take two or three months complete rest.

"Brown can hardly walk - never mind play football," said Arok.

**ZORAN MATIC** is the latest name on the list of coaches for Adelaide City as fans start their annual tipping.

Matic was a player with City then assistant to **RALE RASIC** when he was in Adelaide.

Former player and coach **JOHNNY PERIN** is another bet but he has said he is not interested.

The "inside" word is that **EDMUND KREFT** will hold his job.



**Mike Petersen** - youngest player in the recently chosen Australian national squad. If given an opportunity, Petersen who has 'bite' in the tackle and skill on the ball could play a big part in the World Cup qualifiers.

**CANTERBURY MAR-RICKVILLE**, premiers of the NSW State League, are thrilled at the prospect of moving up in class to the Olympic Airways National League - but maybe they should go easy on the celebrations.

What happens if the NSL brings in its new format - a 14-team competition?

It's most unlikely a club like Canterbury would be included. So the Berries might have to return to State League after battling all year to earn a spot in the national competition.

Berries coach **RAUL BLANCO** says: "Never mind the problems - we are all convinced we'll be in the National League in 1986."

**CHARLIE JURISIC**, physio with Australia's international squad, often joins in the laughter when players pull his leg.

But Charlie had the last laugh when he arrived at Camperdown Travelodge to go into camp with the Socceroos last week.

He drove up in a gold Mercedes, stepped out proudly and asked the players: "How do you like my new bus?"

For once, nobody was game to pull Charlie's leg, although **EDDIE THOMSON** did complain: "I'm Australia's assistant-coach and I drive a Bluebird - so how come the rubber drives a Merc?"

**SOCCEROO** coach **FRANK AROK** flatly rejects claims that Australian soccer has dropped in class since the glory days of the early 1970's - in fact he insists there is more skill in the 1985 Socceroos than there was in their predecessors 15 years ago.

**RALE RASIC**, as might be expected, does not agree. Rasic was national coach at that time.

"In my team, I had at least seven leaders. I don't think there is one in the present national squad," said the sceptical Rale.

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**BORN-AGAIN** Christian **Justin Fashanu** had plenty of troubles with **Brian Clough** when he played for **Nottingham Forest** but he seems to have changed.

Fashanu wrote to Clough: "Dear Brian - I take this opportunity of wishing you success, happiness, peace and fulfilment over the next 12 months."

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**GREAT** news for two SA youngsters.

Salisbury club pair **JOHN WILLIAMS** and **KURT LIETNER** have been selected in the Australian High Schools team to tour England and Wales later this year.

Williams is with Salisbury while Lietner, although still the SA champion's player, attends the Australian Institute of Sport in Canberra.

There will be a total of nine tour matches, two of them internationals, against England and Wales.

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**ANDY EGLI** is back in his native Switzerland after an unhappy year in Germany with Borussia Dortmund. Egli has signed for Zurich Grasshoppers.

IN a press agency report of the Wales v Scotland World Cup game, it was stated: "The 1 - 1 draw makes it almost certain Scotland will qualify for Mexico next year."

That's rubbish. Is it "almost certain" that Scotland, likely runners-up in European group Seven, will beat Australia, Israel or New Zealand?

We don't think caretaker-manager **ALEX FERGUSON** is thinking along such over-confident lines.

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THE scene was that friendly little bar at St George Stadium after the **Dez Marton** Testimonial match.

A Saints official made the comment: "We should play games like this more often. Just think of all the great players who have given marvellous service to this club but went away empty-handed."

As the advertising jingle says: "What a good idea, St George!"

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**UNSETTLED** England winger, **Mark Chamberlain**, has decided to stay with Stoke City until the end of the season.

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**TORINO** have signed **Antonio Sabato** from Inter Milan - because the player feared he would lose his first team spot with Inter.

Inter signed **Marco Tardelli** from Juventus and the new star was tipped to tip Sabato out of the side.

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**NETHERLANDS** international **Jan Peters** has moved from Genoa to **A t a l a n t a Bergamo**.



**Bryan Robson** in action - "He gives everything" says Terry Neill.

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**Eddie Thomson** - "I only have a Bluebird!"

## STAR PROFILE

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

# CHARLIE YANKOS



**BIRTH AND BIRTH-PLACE:** 29.5.61, Melbourne.

**HEIGHT:** 5'10"

**MARRIED:** Engaged to Jennifer.

**OCCUPATION:** Sales co-ordinator with the T.A.B. Agency.

**PLAYING POSITION:** Sweeper, but has played fullback and midfield.

**CLUBS PLAYED FOR:** Polonia Maribyrnong and has been with Heidelberg for the last eight consecutive years.

**FAVOURITE PLAYERS:** Jeff Oliver, Zarko Odzakov, Mike Petersen, Bryan Robinson, Mark Hughes, Platini, Durovski.

**FAVOURITE CLUBS:** Heidelberg, Brunswick Juventus, Sydney Croatia and Liverpool.

**CAR:** Commodore SLE.

**BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT IN SOCCER:** "Getting into six finals and only winning one. The one win was this year when Heidelberg won the Victorian Buffalo Cup Final."

**BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER:** "My parents and Father Gamanski who was my coach at Polonia. Also Lenny McKendry now with South Melbourne Hellas."

**FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS OR HOBBIES:** Squash, tennis and most other sports.

**FAVOURITE FILM STARS:** Clint Eastwood.

**LONG TERM AMBITIONS:** To be as successful as possible in what I do as well as remain injury-free.

**SUPERSTITIONS:** "I always wash my face just before kick-off and I always wear a favourite old pair of shin-guards."

**FAVOURITE MUSIC:** All types. A great variety.

**MAJOR INJURIES:** Nothing serious other than the normal knocks to the body. Had a broken finger once.

**BEST TEAM IN RECENT INTERNATIONAL SERIES:** Australia.

**BEST PLAYER FOR AUSTRALIA IN SERIES:** Zarko Odzakov and Oscar Crino.

**NATIONAL TEAM TO WORRY AUSTRALIA QUALIFYING FOR 1986 WORLD CUP:** All of them. But that doesn't mean I am not confident. You must realise that whatever we have achieved before with our prior performances, means nothing. From now this is all World Cup stuff and is an entirely different level. Israel I see as the biggest threat to us as we know so little about them.

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# HANGOVER FROM A RUSSIAN AFFAIR

WAY back in 1981 when the World Youth Championship was held in Australia one of the leading points the organisers here pounded away to the public was the great misunderstanding that this was a kids' event.

Great pains were taken to ram home to the Australian public that this was indeed a tournament for topline young professionals, the majority of whom were first team players in their own country and on the verge of a senior international career.

Well the sad fact of the Young Socceroos participation in the recent World Youth Championship in Russia was that Australia forgot this important fact.

In my opinion, coach Jim Shoulder and his assistant Ron Tindall thought they were going to a kids' tournament and they dearly paid the consequences.

Having watched all of Australia's World Youth Cup final participation over the years, I have to be honest and declare that the one in Russia was the least effective of all.

For the first time in three world final series, the Young Socceroos failed to win a game.

In a series where they had the world at their feet they let a quarter final spot slip sadly from their grasp.

The Young Socceroos group - Russia, Canada and Nigeria - turned out to be the easiest of all the groups.

And after getting out of jail with a scoreless draw against Russia in the opening match, wins against Canada and Nigeria should have been forthcoming.

Canada were no team at all and had the correct approach been taken and the right tactics used, two points would easily have been in the Australian bag.

But the game ended in a scoreless draw and a valuable point was lost.

Then came the tragedy against Nigeria where a 2-0 lead was allowed to slip into a 3-2 defeat.

Australia that night at the Tractor Stadium in Minsk was tactically as bare as Old Mother Hubbard's Cupboard.

As long as I have a breath left in my body I will argue the fact that Nigeria were no world-beaters - even if they did finish with third place in the series and the bronze medal.

They were handed a quarter final place on a place by an inept Australian team.

It was disappointing to say the least especially when one thinks what could have happened and could have been achieved.

Player-wise this Australian squad was well below the standard of the 1979 squad which failed to qualify for the finals, and the 1981 and 1983 squads that did.

There were players in the squad who really should not have been in Russia and one left at home who should have been on the plane.

However I'm not going to name names or malign any player as it was not their fault for being in the squad and indeed their good luck for getting a ticket behind the Iron Curtain.

The fault lies with the selection of the squad in the first place.

Such a situation must never be allowed to happen again and if the ASF does not reinstate the successful coaching combination of Les Scheinflug and Raul Blanco for the 1987 Final campaign, then this body can never again be taken seriously.

Coach Jim Shoulder is a delightful and dedi-



Chris Kalantzis — didn't produce the miracles.

cated man who is doing a wonderful job at the Australian Institute of Sport.

Jim is an expert in this field and all his talents should be kept channelled in this direction.

It is my opinion that there was a direct conflict of interests when he selected the squad and the team and that there was much too big an AIS representation.

Shoulder's assistant was West Australian state director of coaching Ron Tindall and on this score I would like to bite my tongue and remain silent.

To sum up, the campaign turned out to be a tragedy for Australian soccer on an occasion when all that should have been achieved was allowed to slip meekly out of sight.

**THE FINAL PREPARATION IN HOLLAND.**

THERE is nothing in the build-up that can be faulted.

Coach Shoulder must be congratulated on his choice of final training headquarters at the National Sports Centre at Sittard.

This was an excellent location with some of the world's finest amenities at the Young Socceroos disposal.

The accommodation was excellent, the food was good and the people at the centre could not do enough to help or make the Australians at home.

It was the perfect set-up for a football team of any standard and indeed the best training facilities overseas for an Australian team since I first toured in 1970.

**CONDITIONS IN RUSSIA.**

A nightmare for the young Australians in their first big-time campaign.

The team were locked away in a training camp that, for them, resembled more of a prison camp 15 kilometres on the outside of Minsk.

These conditions were completely foreign to our players and in any other country than Russia - totally unacceptable.

From a sponsor's point of view and indeed FIFA's the tournament must have gone down as a total disaster.

Coca-Cola was practically ignored - in Minsk especially and the crowds were a big disappointment.

From the press and media point of view it was a nightmare and getting news and indeed television pictures back to Australia was a magnificent feat - even though I say it myself.

Had it not been for the valiant efforts of FIFA technical director and acting press relations man Heinz Marotzke news from Minsk would have been completely blacked out.

It was only through the efforts of Heinz that the news and media men from Australia were allowed to work in conditions that are accorded to them in the free world.

Incidents and happenings were aplenty but more about them later.

— TOM ANDERSON.

# SCOTLAND BOSS STEIN DIES IN CARDIFF

BY TOM ANDERSON.

THE tragic death of Scotland's legendary soccer boss Big Jock Stein as the final whistle sounded at Ninian Park Cardiff last Tuesday night shocked the soccer world.

Big Jock, who would have been 63 next month, was a living legend and a beloved figure in the international and club arena throughout the world.

Affectionately known as "The Big Man" he was just that and they came no bigger or better in soccer than this wonderful person.

I'm indeed proud and honoured to have had a close friendship with Big Jock Stein and the world of soccer for me just won't be the same without him.

It was only two weeks ago while passing through Amsterdam on the way home from Russia with the Young Socceroos that I talked to him on the phone.

He informed me he was in the best of health and was indeed looking forward to watching Australia in action against Israel in the World Cup qualifying game in Tel Aviv in October.

Now sadly this will not be.

The big man passed away after being overcome by emotion after watching his Scottish team take one step nearer Mexico and next year's World Cup finals.

I am now more convinced than ever Scotland will get to Mexico and the players will move heaven and earth to do it for their beloved former manager.

This is how it is with the Scots: this is how it will always be.

Jock Stein was the most successful manager ever produced in Scotland.

He set standards never before sought, let alone achieved.

As manager of Glasgow Celtic, he steered the club to nine league titles and eight Scottish Cup triumphs as well as leading them to their finest hour - when they became the first British club to win the European Champions Cup by beating Inter Milan in Lisbon in 1967.

He soon made the first team and the half back line of Bobby Evans, Jock Stein and Bertie Peacock led to a League



He took them to the final again in 1970 and in 1972, they lost on penalties in the semi-final.

Here was the man who showed and led the way for Britain's later onslaught and stranglehold in Europe.

As a player the Big Man had a very ordinary career and started as a centre-half with Albion Rovers in the late 1940's.

He later joined Welsh non-league club Llanelly

and Cup double in 1954.

A serious ankle injury then put an end to his career and he was appointed Celtic's reserve team coach, where he discovered and brought to light brilliant young players such as Pat Crerand, Billy McNeill and Bobby Lennox.

In 1960 he left Parkhead to take over the manager's job at Dunfermline and the following season won the Scottish Cup for the Fifers by beating Celtic in the final at Hampden Park.

Then in 1964 he moved to Edinburgh to take over the Hibs and 10 months later he was back at Parkhead to take over Celtic from the previous boss Jimmy McGrory.

This heralded the start of a new era in Scottish football.

Before taking over the Scottish job in 1977 Big Jock had a short stint in England with Leeds United, but his heart was in Scotland and he was given a hero's welcome when he returned home.

His untimely death has set the Scottish nation and indeed the entire football world in mourning.

For here was a giant among men and indeed the greatest footballing Scot of them all.

Jock Stein - 'The Big Man' will leave behind him a vacuum in the game of soccer that will never be filled.



Scotland will go to Mexico for Stein.

with his future very much in doubt.

Then by a twist of fate Celtic were looking for a reserve team centre-half and signed Stein.

He soon made the first team and the half back line of Bobby Evans, Jock Stein and Bertie Peacock led to a League



Australia's Press Corp in Russia. From left to right: Tom Anderson, Mike Hill, (Aust. Doctor), Geoff Stead, Stephen Dettre, Johnny Warren.



1967 — One of Stein's greatest triumphs — Celtic wins the European Cup. Bobby Murdoch scores v Inter Milan.

# QUEENSLAND VIEW

BY MARK BRIGDEN



## STYLES BACK AGAIN

**COALSTARS** have reappointed Brian Styles as coach for next season. The Premier League outfit, living in the shadows of neighbours and League champions, Ipswich United, had a disappointing year.

At the start of the season many observers believed Coalstars had the talent to seriously challenge for the title and their first few games emphasised this point as they cruised to easy victories. However, they were unable to maintain a consistent performance and consequently narrowly missed out on a top four spot.

Secretary Mike Rule said the club's committee had faith in Styles and they were also hopeful of retaining the present squad.

One player who will be eagerly sought is Dave Wheeler, the skilful striker who started the Queensland in the interstate clash with New South Wales. Indeed his silky skills attracted the

attention of Australian coach, Frank Arok, who tried to tempt Wheeler to St George.

With the experience of players like Kevin Caldwell, Mark McNaughton, Bruce Penman and Mark Brusasco combined with some exciting young talent, it is hard to understand why they failed to live up to their potential. One popular theory is that unlike Ipswich United, they lacked some players who enjoyed working for the ball rather than just with it.

Despite this criticism, you can be sure that the experience gained this year will ensure Brian Styles' team are closer to the top this time next year.

## HUNTER IS TOPS

**SEVERAL** southern National League clubs have expressed a keen interest in Brisbane Lions talented young defender, Alan Hunter, over the last couple of years.

Lions officials believe he will stay with the club next year, however, it appears they may lose another of their shining talents. Stylish defender, Steve Jackson, has gone to live in Melbourne and is hopeful of trialling with a NSL club in the off-season.

The skilful young defender, whose claims were pushed in the local media for representation in the Australian team this year, will be sorely missed by Lions.

Local officials are still hopeful that Jacko will return. However, small consolation can be gained by the fact that should he go, he will command a good transfer fee.



Indoor action — Queensland has caught the 'bug'.

## INDOOR EXPLOSION

INDOOR soccer which until recently has been very quiet in Queensland is set to boom with the establishment of a National League involving all states.

The competition will be split into 2 divisions of ten teams under the control of the National Indoor Soccer Federation.

Queensland Association President, Keith Sharrock, says two teams from this stage, one from Brisbane and the other from North Queensland, will compete in the Eastern Conference against teams from Sydney, Canberra, Wollongong, Goulburn and Nowra.

The Southern Conference will comprise teams from Victoria, South Australia, Tasmania and Western Australia. Each team will play 5 home and 5 away games and the format will be based along the lines of the successful National Basketball League where the travelling team plays more than one game in a weekend.

The first fixture will be on October 11 and the initial season will run to December 20. The finals will be a round robin competition incorporating the top four teams of each division culminating in the two winners playing the Grand Final.

Many players are trying out for inclusion in the Brisbane team, provisionally known as the Brisbane Bombers, and the high standard will surprise many people. Big name players from the National and Premier Leagues have been trialling and at least 3 Rothmans Medal winners have been sighted.

The Brisbane Bombers home matches are scheduled for the multi purpose Sports Hall at QEII which has a capacity of 800 people. Sharrock was being realistic when he said "We don't expect to fill it in the first season but there is no doubt the game is growing rapidly".

This is definitely the case with 400 players already registered in Queensland through the ten affiliated centres and more and more people are becoming aware of the attractions of this dynamic crowd pleasing sport.

"The game is attractive because it is continually flowing. There is no time wasting, no dissent and no passages of play being bogged down" Sharrock said.

As with the success of indoor cricket and basketball, the code does appear ideally suited as a spectator sport. It also seems ideal for television coverage and if this can be obtained, soccer in general will be the winner.

Sharrock has no doubt the competition will be a success and says "I can imagine it being run on a full time professional basis within 4 years."

A staggering thought indeed, but a pleasing one when you recollect those television highlights of games from America and England.

Meanwhile, the first official Queensland titles will be held at the Macgregor stadium in Brisbane on the weekend of November 2 and 3. Plans include official titles for all ages, starting at Boys U10, U12, U14, U18, U20, Youth and Mens Open and Veterans (over 35's). Ladies

titles will include Juniors, U16 and Open.

During these championships, the Queensland selectors will be viewing every game looking for the best possible representative sides for the National Indoor Titles in Sydney and Adelaide next year.



Indoor action from State titles..

## AUSTRALIA IN BRISBANE

**BRISBANE** fans will finally get the chance to see the Australian team in action when they clash with the Peoples Republic of China on Friday, September 27 for the Ampol Cup.

The game will be played under lights at Lang Park, the headquarters of Rugby League and scene for several previous international soccer games. When the 1983 World Youth Soccer Titles were held there, FIFA officials voted the ground one of the six best stadiums in the world.

The Queensland Soccer Federation had hoped to play the full international at Perry Park on September 29, but the change was necessary to suit the visitors schedule.

QSF Secretary, Alan Vessey, said "SBS Television have arranged to cover the match for the southern state viewers and we had to take into account the lighting requirements before selecting Lang Park".

China are the present holders of the Ampol Cup having defeated Australia 3-2 last year in Peking.

The Socceroos play their first World Cup qualifying match in New Zealand the week before and television coverage of that should stimulate plenty of interest in the

Lang Park game.

The Brisbane fans have had trouble identifying with the national team in the past due to the fact that we rarely see them. However, the expansion of SBS Television and the commencement of a soccer programme on Radio 4EB have greatly improved the media coverage and provoked interest.

The QSF are planning a promotional exercise to ensure a solid attendance and all junior players who turn up in their club strip will be admitted free.



Australia v England in Brisbane ... there's more to come.

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## INDOOR RECORD

**FORMER** State League player, Derek Doolan and several keen Indoor Soccer enthusiasts are out to enter the Guinness Book of Records.

They aim to rewrite the record of 104 hours 10 minutes set in Ireland in 1983 for non-stop indoor soccer.

The marathon has been set down for October 25, in Rockhampton. The novelty idea, being run jointly by the Rockhampton Soccer Federation and the Rockhampton Diabetic Association, will raise money for the Diabetic cause.

# KOSSIE — THE LAST OF THE OLD CAMPAIGNERS

BY FRANK COLETTA

JOHN KOSMINA has been one of the remarkable successes in Australian soccer.

'Kossie' as he is known began with South Australian State League club Polonia Adelaide and from there has gone on to become one of the greatest strikers Australia has known.

Aggressive, bold, arrogant and fearless are just some of the terms that have been used about the 28-year-old goalscorer, and indeed among all his other attributes, Kosmina is, and always will be, a goalscorer.

Earlier this season he emphasised this by scoring his 100th National League goal against St. George.

'Kossie' has been around a bit and some have gone as far as to label him a veteran. He would be the first to admit he has been around longer than most although he is just a baby at his club Sydney City.

With the likes of Joe Watson, Murray Barnes, Jim Cant and Alex Robertson, Kosmina is yet a pup.

He played the first of his 80 internationals for Australia way back in 1976 against the Italian side Bologna and then scored his first two international goals against a Chinese Selection during Australia's world tour the same year.

After his debut match he earned the plaudits of the then national coach Jimmy Shoulder who said: "John Kosmina had a great game. He was roughed up by the Italians but kept his head and proceeded to tear them apart in the second half."

As a result of the exposure he received, West Adelaide moved quickly to sign him on loan from Polonia for the start of the inaugural Phillips League season.

It was reported that the loan fee was \$4,000 and that Kossie was to receive \$7,000 for himself.

He was practically a lone raider in the Australian 1977 World Cup qualifying series. He cracked a very respectable six goals in 12 games.

That campaign under Jimmy Shoulder was a major disappointment ... some claimed it a debacle which was pretty close to the truth.

Kosmina played well and grabbed goals but his determined and somewhat physical style in those days earned him the wrath of the referee in the qualifier against Kuwait and Kossie was sent off in the 1-0 loss.

Kosmina, in fact, was the only forward truly effective throughout the series and when he was not there Australia suffered. It is now history that Australia went crashing out in a blaze of despair and were given the title as probably the

worst Aussie side of all time, especially with the shocking results coming three years after our greatest soccer triumphs in 1974.

At the end of the 1977 season he was voted Australia's best under-21 player but West Adelaide's loan agreement had expired. Almost every club in Australia was after the new Aussie bombardier at the start of 1978 but during the "World of Soccer" tournament he had impressed Arsenal's manager Terry Neill to such an extent that it was the great London club that finally signed him and flew him to Highbury.

His loss to West was of immense proportions, as he had been one of the main reasons West Adelaide took the coveted PSL title in 1978.

It was rumoured at the time that Arsenal had supplied Kosmina with \$20,000 so he could buy

visit he played for Australia against Greece in Adelaide.

Finally he returned to Australia to stay and joined West Adelaide for \$25,000 in 1979.

Then came a struggle to re-establish himself in the national side. He had to fight a running battle with the Marconi trio, Krncevic, Jankovic and Sharne along with Gary Cole for the three positions up front.

But Kosmina was ready for any situation, something which the stay in England had taught him.

Kossie then moved base to Sydney, joining the illustrious Sydney City in 1980.

Immediately his class rubbed off and City celebrated victory in the 1980 National League.

Sydney City went on to make it a hat-trick of titles and Kosmina in the last of those seasons

Australia drew 3-3 with New Zealand in the first match of the qualifiers but then disaster struck in Sydney when the Kiwis won 2-0 and all but ended our hopes for Spain.

Kosmina was not his usual self and Australia suffered.

Then in September of '82 Kossie was handed the mantle of 'Captain Socceroo', the captain of the Australian national side.

Of the position he says, "It has been and always will be a great honour to captain my country. I've been lucky in the way that I've captained good sides, especially the current one."

"During my spell as skipper things have gone well, we've won two Merlion Cups and the past 12 months have been very successful."

"Last year's tour was pretty tough but we couldn't have been ex-



'KOSSIE'

are trying to really do the game any good."

Kossie also expresses his dislike at other aspects of the game of soccer.

"There are a few guys in the media who I just don't get along with. They are nice to your face but once your back is turned out come the knives."

"There was an article in the Melbourne Age during the first in-



Captains Clash ... Kosmina shows the vigour that makes him the feared striker he is, against Juventus' Gaetano Scirea.

his transfer from Polonia.

At Highbury, Kosmina, then 21, had to wait a month before his work permit was arranged. He spent most of the time training and playing with Arsenal's reserve side.

"I played a dozen reserve team games in a row and it was a lot more physical than I was used to," said the Australian captain.

"In reserves there are a lot of young kids trying to make the grade and others are coming back from injury, so there was a lot of hacking going on."

"When I finally got into the first team the difference was quite obvious—all the players can play and you are given a lot more time on the ball."

He returned down under in the English off-season of 1978 to play guest games with Adelaide City. During his

smashed an incredible 23 goals to set a record that has yet to be threatened let alone challenged.

Come the campaign of '82 and Kossie linked up with Marconi's Eddie Krncevic in the striking role for the Soccerroos.

Previously Australia had made sure their credentials going into the qualifiers were strong ones with fine performances against the likes of the New York Cosmos when 50,000 packed the Sydney Showground to see a 2-1 win to the home side.

Australia then set off on a tour of Asia and the strike force of Kosmina and Krncevic blossomed and all looked rosy for the World Cup matches.

Good results against Czechoslovakia, A.C. Milan, England, Northern Ireland, Mexico, Greece and Israel held the green and golds in good stead.

pected to win every game over there. It has been a very good learning process to me - it made me change my approach a little.

"I think being captain has improved me as a player."

Kosmina is the type of player any manager or coach would love to have: he is hard and never shirks anything from hard training to real competitive play.

He is often criticised because of his style not only on the field but also off, something he answers with, "I am a bit intolerant. I see a lot of things going on in the game which I think are wrong and I say so."

"Some of the politics involved in soccer are a joke and that type of thing makes me pretty intolerant. There's a greater majority of people involved in the petty politics than people who

international series where I was likened to Kim Hughes, which I thought was a pretty pathetic comparison."

The talk lately has been of Kosmina's lack of goals but the man himself claims there is little to worry about for the upcoming World Cup qualifiers.

"At Sydney City things have changed. We have about four guys who can grab around six or so goals each with another couple getting three or four where in the past seasons I've had 12 or 15 goals. This year the scoring has been pretty well spread out."

The word is strong, Kosmina will lead from the front and score the necessary goals for his country and make sure his third World Cup campaign is THIRD TIME LUCKY!

**JOHN KOSMINA**  
**BIRTHDATE:** 17.8.56  
**HEIGHT:** 179cm, 5'11"  
**WEIGHT:** 80 kg  
**MARRIED:** Yes to Judy with one son, two-year-old Nathan.  
**OCCUPATION:** Sales Rep with Nike Sportswear.  
**PLAYING POSITION:** Centre-forward.  
**CLUBS PLAYED FOR:** Polonia (SA), West Adelaide, West Adelaide, Arsenal, Sydney City.  
**FAVOURITE PLAYERS:** Joe Watson, Charlie Egan, Kenny Dalglish and George Best.  
**FAVOURITE CLUBS:** Sydney City, Arsenal and Liverpool.  
**CAR:** Berlin Commodore.  
**BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT:** Not qualifying for the World Cup Finals in 1978 with Jimmy Shoulder and in 1982 under Rudi Gutendorf. Also not playing in more first team games for Arsenal in England.

**BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER:** Dad

**ARE YOU A SMOKER?** No

**DRINKER:** Don't mind a few quiet beers after training.

**DIET:** Breakfast—Toast and cereal and six coffees. Lunch—Usually a carbohydrate-type meal. Whatever takes my fancy. Tea—Nine times out of 10 I've had a big lunch so I may even skip dinner or have something light.

**TRAINING HOURS PER WEEK:** Eight to 10 during pre-season and six during competition. For international matches we usually have a full-time training camp beforehand.

**SEX—DOES IT AFFECT PERFORMANCE?** It's an individual thing but I've got no objection to it before a game. It can be quite relaxing.

**STRAIN ON FAMILY:** Big, much more since we've had the boy. Fortunately, Judy likes soccer and usually comes to the matches.

**HOW DO YOU RELAX?** Blues music. At the moment I'm learning to play the harmonica and sometimes we go out to see a band.

**DOES TRAVELLING AFFECT YOUR GAME:** No, not at all.

**SOCIAL LIFE:** Judy and I get out to dinner a bit. Other than that it is a few beers with the other players after training.

**HOW DO YOU MOTIVATE YOURSELF?** The fact that a game is coming up and it's got to be won is motivation enough for me. Sometimes if things aren't going too well I'll take some time out to think for a while and have a kick around in the backyard and do a few exercises.

**MAJOR INJURIES:** A groin strain that I carried for half the 1980 season.

**CAREER EXPECTANCY:** Can't really say when I'll finish up but as long as I'm enjoying myself and fit I'll continue.

**FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS:** Surfing, Squash, Golf and Tennis.

**FAVOURITE FILM STARS:** None really.

**SUPERSTITIONS?** No.

**FAVOURITE MUSIC:** Tim Buckley and Bruce Springsteen.

**LONG TERM AMBITIONS:** To make money and be successful.



ABOVE: Kosmina gets a kiss from his wife Judy after returning with the Merlion Cup.

BELOW: The 'guts' he is renowned for. Going in where it hurts, 'Kossie' cops a mouthful of Graham Jennings' boot.



# ON THE GRAPEVINE



WITH TOM McKAIN



## CARDS PLAYED CLOSE TO THE CHEST

WITH the Adelaide soccer season down to the last competition — the playoffs between the top eight teams for the West End Premier Cup — NSL coaches must have completed their shopping list for next season.

However, neither Adelaide City's Edmund Kreft or West's Neil McGachey are showing their hands.

Nor are other coaches who have been talent scouting in case they land jobs with one of the NSL outfits, although both are expected to retain their present sup-  
remos.

But one player stood out in the PGH Federation Cup final between Campbelltown and Cumberland, Lemmy Vatsilas.

His jinking, running and ballskills reminded us of South Melbourne's Charlie Egan, and it was no surprise when he was voted the Man of the Match Award, topping the list in the first extra time game then again in the replay which also went into extra time.

West will be favorite to get his signature because of his Greek background, and one official has already claimed he has the youngster almost signed and sealed.

And there should be no problems about a clearance as Cumberland, despite a tremendous Cup final performance, is doomed to relegation next year.

Beograd pair Andy Toland and Brian Welsh are again likely to be approached by the NSL pair.

Toland, a classy midfielder and great reader of the game had offers from City and West last season but stayed with the First Division club because of his work as a land agent with one of the team's supporters.

Welsh has a rugged all-action style and would be an ideal destroyer in the NSL arena, and his workrate is outstanding.

Giant Cumberland goalkeeper Martin Charman was also a hit this year, as was Campbelltown's Lou Pivetta before he left for a holiday in Italy.

He was replaced by former Apia and Cumberland custodian Robbie Parks.

It now seems certain the that Campbelltown, winner of the Federation Cup, will sell one of their star keepers.

Pivetta had offers last year from City and West but Campbelltown persuaded him to stay.

With Willie McNally tipped to return to Perth City will again try for Pivetta.

They attempted to sign Parks as a back-up for McNally but Campbelltown was first to come up with a contract and the bargain \$3000 transfer fee.

Veteran Jan Kierno has again been outstanding for Polonia, this time as player-coach, playing either midfield or sweeper.

Again the offers will be made, but we gather the answer may have to be "no" as Kierno is due back in Poland and may not have his visa extended.

Big front running Paul Blute has been linked with West again, but this year when he was on the verge of signing and quitting Croatia, took off for a trial with Sydney Croatia.

But he didn't want to wait around for a regular spot and returned to Adelaide Croatia.

It has had its worst season for years, after winning the league title last year, and Blute may at last move on.

Champions Salisbury are oozing young talent, but the Northern club is on a high and its players are swearing allegiance for next year.

However, it would be no surprise if big striker Steve McNally is tempted by the NSL bosses.

Azzurri's Pat de Vita has caused a flurry in the board rooms with his attacking flair as had Elizabeth's David Edwards.

However, before any of the above are signed, City and West will first have to keep a promise to supporters and come up with at least two overseas imports apiece.

City already has ex-Ranger Colin McAdam and West has announced it is going for at least three imports.



CHARLIE EGAN

### ILLAWARRA (Cont.)

Figtree officials must wonder how they let a valuable player such as Mick McGuire slip through their fingers.

McGuire left Figtree to join Fernhill this year and has done a great job for his new coach, Gerry Walker.

McGuire has played centre-half, centre-forward and in midfield with a lot of success with Fernhill.

Meantime, Figtree have struggled all year and didn't finish too far above bottom pair Oak Flats and Corimal.

Walker has every reason to inquire about any players Figtree want to get rid of next year.

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Illawarra is certain to be short of top referees next season.

Some of the top whistlers have indicated they want to go to Sydney and others are to retire.

Among those ready to quit are Jack Readshaw, Robert Robertson and Alan Walton.

Robertson and Walton are retiring because they are having trouble with their eyes.

A referee with eye trouble — what's new you might ask.

Anyway they are certain to be missed as the association isn't recruiting as many promising young referees as they might like.

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South Coast Croatia are poised to make a big impact on the Illawarra first division next season.

They won the first and reserve grade, grand finals in second division with coach Renato Bettoncelli being named man of the match in first grade.

The club was largely responsible for the crowd of 2,500 which turned up and club officials say they have their sights on a place in premier league.

They are already looking towards developing the ground and no doubt other premier league clubs are looking forward to seeing them promoted.

Their supporters will bring about a dramatic increase in premier league crowds.

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Wollongong Macedonia know how to keep their players happy.

After winning promotion to the State League Macedonia will treat the first grade squad to a weekend at Surfers Paradise that won't happen until they play in the Macedonia Cup — a end of season knockout worth \$800 to the winners.

It is being sponsored by Macedonia Club backer Alex Kenchevski and almost immediately nominations were called from Wollongong City, Macedonia, Warilla Wanderers and Rockdale inter teams.

## ILLAWARRA JOTTINGS

BY PHIL MURPHY

**W**INNING coaches don't usually complain but Cringila's Darryl Glover criticised Balgownie Oval after his teams beat Fernhill 1-0. In the Premier League semi-final.

Glover said the ground was overused and undermanaged and certainly not suitable for such an important match.

"My players continued to complain about the rock hard surface and dust getting in their eyes" Glover said.

He said the ISA should have switched last Saturday's final against Aris to a ground more suitable to players and spectators.

"Is isn't fair to the players to have them play on that ground and the people who pay at the gate don't get a fair deal either" Glover said.

"Surely they could have switched the final to either Tarrawanna Oval, Wetherall Park or Tawradgi Park".

The Association President George Naylor refused Cringila's requested for a change of venue.

Balgownie vice-president Phil Boreland said Glover's criticism was typical of a anti Balgownie feeling in Illawarra.

Boreland said some people are just perennial whingers and obviously they mounted some sordid campaign to keep Balgownie out of the Premier League.

He said his club had put plenty of money and work into the ground and deserved to have a big game allocated there.

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Shellharbour have reappointed John Boyle first grade coach for next season and are about to announce a surprise sponsorship deal.

Spokeman Otto Bader reports Boyle was reappointed after a special committee meeting.

He said officials are pleased with Boyle affected this season and he has the basis of a side which will be chasing premiership honours in 1986.

Bader said the five figure sponsorship will help Shellharbour attract more quality players for the next season and help with ground improvements.

The deal is expected to be over three years and details will be released before the end of the month.

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It hasn't been a memorable season for Warilla Wanderers.

They started the season a big hope of winning either the championship or grand final in Premier League but didn't ever go close.

The first grade side missed out of a semi final place and the club generally will want to forget the 1985 season.

The reserve grade team did make the top four and played a draw in the semi final against Corimal.

In the replay Corimal won 3-1 and referee Alan Walton gave two Warilla players their marching orders.

One of them was guilty of head butting, so he can forget about the first six games of the new season.

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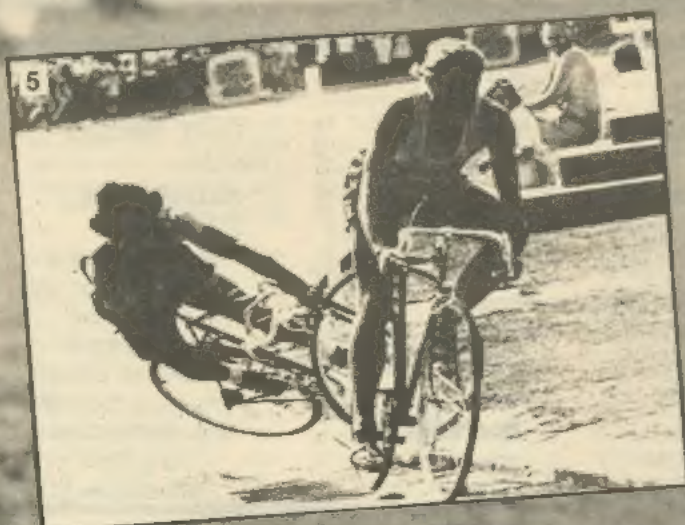
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 8—Attempting an overhead kick in the 1974 FA Cup Final against Newcastle for Liverpool.





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# ROTHMANS MEDAL



## FOR PATIKAS

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

**JIMMY PATIKAS**, Sydney Croatia's explosive attacking midfielder and top goalscorer in the Northern Division, won the Inaugural Rothmans Gold Medal for the Best and Fairest player in the Olympic Airways National Soccer League.

Rothmans Chief General Manager, Bill Ryan, said, that the Medal represents the code's ultimate accolade to the recipient. Not only for outstanding skills, but for playing the game with respect for the Laws and revealing high qualities of sportsmanship.

The Rothmans Medal is nine carat gold and valued at \$4,750.

The winner is determined by the votes of referees during the season with voting done on a 3-2-1 basis for the 22 League games.

Patikas, who turns 22 in four weeks, and is a current member of the Australian World Cup squad, received a standing ovation at a lavish function at Sydney's

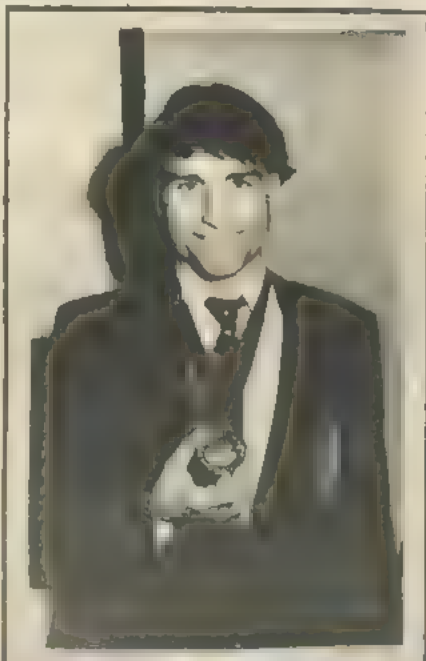
Sheraton Wentworth Hotel.

Making the presentation to Patikas, was special guest from England, Terry Neill.

Neill is former Northern Ireland captain, was a top centre-back with Arsenal as well as being manager of Tottenham Hotspur and Arsenal.

This is the second major award Patikas has won this year since being transferred to Sydney Croatia.

The previous week, Patikas won the Australian Soccer Press Association (NSW Division) award for 1985, receiving the ASPA trophy as well as a laser-disc player from Radio Rentals.



Australia Soccer Weekly staff writers seen here with Jimmy Patikas. From left to right: David Jack, Frank Coletta, Patikas and John Economos.



Terry Neill, Jimmy Patikas and Rothmans' General Manager Mr Bill Ryan.

## MEDAL WINNER SO HAPPY!

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

**JIMMY PATIKAS**, when named Rothmans Gold Medal winner in the NSL for 1985, methodically went about thanking sincerely many people who contributed to his overall success.

"Being the very first Rothmans Medal to be awarded in the National Soccer League, I thank Rothmans and the referees for voting me the winner," said Patikas.

"But I would also like to thank some other special people as well."

"Firstly Tony Basic the Sydney Croatia president and his committee for putting up the money to buy me at the beginning of the season."

"Although I have been declared the winner, I feel it is a reward for my club and teammates at Sydney Croatia. I am also grateful to Graham Arnold for helping me score many of the goals."

Patikas went on: "And last but not least, my coach Vedran Rozic for all the extra work he put in every morning at special training sessions that helped improve and

polish my game. "To all these people I owe thanks."

### STREET CITY

Jimmy Patikas was first spotted as a junior by the Sydney City club five years ago and they signed him up on a contract.

In 1982 his coach at Sydney City, Eddie Thomson, sent Patikas to Aberdeen in Scotland on a three month training course.

A lucrative offer by Sydney Olympic enticed Patikas to transfer to that club in 1983 on a two year contract. By the end of 1984 Sydney Croatia stepped in and captured Patikas' signature for 1985 and 1986.

### WORLD CUP

Jimmy who is engaged and a full-time footballer, has the ambition to

become a good solid name in Australian Soccer.

Tomorrow, Patikas flies to Auckland with the Australian World Cup squad to face New Zealand next Saturday afternoon in their first Cup qualifying match.

Patikas starred for Australia in the last match of a four-match series recently against touring Yugoslav Cup holders Red Star.

In Australia's 4-0 demolition of Red Star, Patikas won a penalty, set up another goal and scored one himself.

Although he is not at the moment in the first XI for Australia, his explosive acceleration and power shooting will see Patikas force his way into the team very soon.

His current idols in the Australian side are David Ratcliffe and Zarko Odzakovic.

"Both these players provide enormous strength to our national side," Patikas stated with convincing enthusiasm.



Jimmy Patikas seen here sitting at the Sydney Croatia table a spit-second before his name was announced as 1985 Rothmans Gold Medal Winner.



Sydney Croatia's coach Vedran Rozic congratulating his club player and Medal winner, Jimmy Patikas.



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## AUSTRALIA BEATS VICTORIA

By ZIKA NIKOLIC

AUSTRALIA defeated a Press-select Victorian side 3-2 at Middle Park, Melbourne in its final warm-up match before departing tomorrow for New Zealand

But the match was marred by some over-anxious tackles which forced referee Chris Bambridge to issue three red cards.

John Kosmina put Australia ahead in the 12th minute with a penalty following a foul on lanky striker, David Mitchell

In the 23rd minute John Dowie received a red card after a scuffle with Kosmina who got a yellow card in the same incident.

In the 32nd minute, following a corner by Australia, Victoria's goalkeeper misjudged the flight of the ball and Kosmina slammed home from eight metres

With Australia coasting with a 2 - 0 lead, Victoria pulled a goal back through a Sean Lane penalty when Mike Petersen fouled Charlie Egan in the box. Four minutes later, Victoria levelled the scoreline at 2 - 2 through Gary McDowell.

In the 68th minute, tempers flared again with Charlie Yankos and Doug Brown both being sent off.

Eight minutes from the end, Australia's flying flanker, Frank Farina, busted clear from the defence on the left and scored with an unstoppable 18 metre drive to give Australia the match 3-2.



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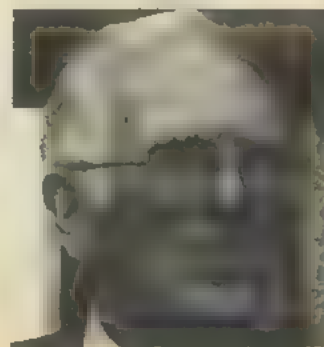
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# WHERE IS THE PLAN?



□ CHARLIE DEMPSEY

MANY envious eyes have been watching the Socceroos streak ahead in their World Cup build-up programme and compared to what lies ahead for the All Whites the outlook seems gloomy.

But is it? The Aussies are repeating their previous World Cup preparation complete with quadrangular tournaments and are pulling off some good results.

They have superb training facilities, and, it appears, an open cheque book.

The All Whites will be out of pocket and most likely come out

By TERRY HOBIN

of jobs by the end of the year.

I believe the same drive and will to win that catapults our sportsmen and women to gold medal winning performances at the Olympic Games will again be our biggest asset.

What is unbelievable is our lack of planning ahead

Who can say when, where and against whom is the next All Whites match? The only certain fixture is Saturday 21 September — and that's the opening World Cup clash with Australia.

The Newcastle tour was excellent preparation but the Fiji

but after last month's burst of activity the players have little to aim for as there is no next step.

Fallon has a plan but he needs a budget to work to. The three most vital areas of NZFA expertise should be finance, planning and promotion

Financially New Zealand soccer is not in a healthy state and the NZFA may have to levy every player in the country to either pay off past losses or to properly prepare the current World Cup bid

Most players in New Zealand would be willing to part with a couple of dollars provided they knew the money was being well utilised

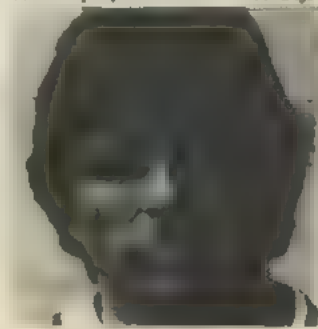
And that is where planning and promotion are such an integral part of the NZFA set-up.

Planning involving coaching is well administered and executed but the vital match programme is now stalled and that affects promoting the game.

The soccer public don't know when to expect the All Whites again and along with the poor job done to promote the Newcastle and Fiji tours, it will be a matter of starting over again.

I believe our international future is almost at crisis point. The lead from NZFA chairman Charlie Dempsey and his councillors over the next few weeks regarding the problem they face will be crucial to our World Cup bid and to soccer in general.

We can still beat the Aussies and Israel despite being well behind in several areas but why are we making it so much harder for ourselves?



□ KEVIN FALLON

tour was ill-advised coming so soon after with players still playing national league matches and putting in All Whites training as well.

No wonder our fittest and toughest players like Duncan Cole and Peter Simonsen had their legs crying "enough" after 12 matches in 23 days.

National coach Kevin Fallon has his squad virtually sorted out

## NEAL CAVE

(DB Wellington)

Full Name: Neal Robert Cave

Birthdate: 12 July 1966

Birthplace: Gosport, England

Height and weight: 5' 8", 63 kgs

Current club: DB Wellington

Position: Midfield/striker

Previous clubs: Wainuiomata

Career Highlights: Receiving NZ Young

Player of the Year 1984 trophy. Being

selected for NZ U19's.

Career disappointment: None yet

Biggest influences on career: Barrie Truman,

Doug Moore and my parents

Football honours: NZ Young Player of the

Year 1984, Hilton Pelone Cup Winner 1983,

1984

Football ambitions: To play for NZ first

team as soon as possible and to play

Rothmans League until I'm 35!

Favourite players: Johann Cruyff, Bryan

Robson

Favourite clubs: Chelsea

Favourite other sportsperson: John McEnroe,

Mark Todd

Who would you most like to meet: The

Queen or Pele

Favourite TV shows: Big League Soccer, Auf

Wiedersehen Pet, Fawley Towers

Favourite actor and actress: Costa Leonidas,

Loni Anderson

Favourite groups/singers: Hall & Oates,

Duran Duran, Spandau Ballet, Billy Idol, Neil

Mckenzie.

Hobbies: Nice girls, reading, motor bikes

Other sport played: Cricket, table tennis,

volleyball, squash

Occupation: University student

Educational qualifications: A Bursary, UE,

School Certificate (6 subjects)

Marital status: Single

Long term ambitions: To be healthy and

happy

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# JUNIOR SCENE

## ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL CAMPAIGN FOR APIA

APIA Junior Soccer Club has followed the high standard set by its Youth League sides by once again dominating within the Canterbury District Soccer Football Association this season.

The club, which concentrates solely on junior soccer teams and not All-Age teams, are sponsored by the Haberfield Mitsubishi, and fields six division A teams from the ages of U/8 through to U/13's.

Of these six sides, the 10A, 11A, 12A, 13A were all successful, winning their respective premierships. These four teams will represent Canterbury Association in the prestigious NSW Champion of Champions.

Club secretary Vince Scillo said that historically APIA juniors has always proved to be a strong just nursery.

"It is once again evident that we are the backbone of the Canterbury Association by providing four teams to represent them in the State Champion of Champions," Mr Scillo said.

Mr Scillo added that the club's policy is that they recognise premiers

as teams who finish first past the post.

"We are very proud of the fact that our club will be having the most number of teams from any one club to represent Canterbury Association in the NSW Champion of Champions," Mr Scillo said.

The Under 10A team this year won their respective competition by a massive nine points from their nearest rivals. They scored a remarkable 152 goals and only conceded five.

Heading the goal avalanche was striker Gaetano Stagnita with 75 goals.

This side has not lost a competition game for the past three years.

The teams possesses many skilful players with great teamwork and understanding. Club officials claim that this side would even do well in an age group one year higher.

The club's Under 12A side were the surprise packet of the season.

This team won its way through to win the premiership by one point.

Most club officials gave the Apia Under 12A's little hope at the beginning of the season, but they grew in strength, and in the end proved to be the most consistent side in their age group, thus qualifying for the State Champion of Champions.

They only lost one game in the premiership, and that was the first round game against Croatia.

Overall during the season this side scored 109 goals and only had nine against, with striker Paul Bourke, being the leading marksman in the competition with 41 goals.

The club's Under 11A's repeated their success from last year by again winning their competition. The ease with which they won their division was somewhat surprising, the nearest rivals being six points behind.

Earlier in the season it was predicted that this team would struggle considering they lost 6 players from last year's successful side due to a dispute with the coach.

With only a week remaining before the commencement of the competition, the team due to the efforts of officials Dick Holmes and Barry Troth, were able to find the necessary replacements.

With seven new players in the squad it took time for the new players to settle in, but eventually they combined to again form a forceful unit.

They went through the season undefeated scoring 104 goals, while conceding only three.

The teams success extended outside the Association by reaching the final of the Revesby Workers knock-out and winning the inaugural Rooter Hill tournament.

The team bases its soccer on the policy of keeping the ball on the ground. But in a junior set-up where the kick and run style of soccer reigns supreme, this policy will not always prove successful. But one thing coach Joe Mangapane is sure of is that these boys will develop into more skilful



with  
**TONY RACITI**

## GRIFFITH GOING NORTH

Griffith Junior teams will embark on a trip on the 23rd September Hanwood Under 15 will travel to Fiji where they contest the South Pacific Soccer challenge against a number of different countries.

The youngsters had helped pay for the trip with a number of fun raising activities including raffles, food stores during the vintage festival dinner dances and a bowl/athon.

The trip is in part a reward for the teams magnificent effort in winning the State Cup under 14's last year.

This year the players have carried on the good form although ineligible to contest the Cup series they won in the Riverra.

They competed against 16-year-olds and were premiers in the Griffith District Soccer Association.

Most of the team have played together for years and Hanwood officials are confident of a good showing in the South Pacific challenge.

The team has not stopped training since the end of the season in a bid to retain peak fitness for the tournament. The Fiji humidity is expected to be one of the youngsters' biggest hurdle.

The players will not lack support in Fiji as many members of the family will be making the trip with them.

The team will play a warm up match against the Mardi Airport Youth team the day after their arrival and will be renewing acquaintances with a club visitor from five years ago.

The visitors also will be met in Fiji by Mr Mun Lal who is the brother of well known former Hanwood Senior Coach John Lal.

The players and officials from the Hanwood Soccer Club said they would like to thank all the sponsors.

## SERDERON THE PLASTIC MAN PRIZE



A TOTAL of \$1,000 in prizemoney is being awarded by leading Sydney polythene distributors Serderon Pty Ltd.

The split-up is a first prize of \$500, second \$250, third and fourth \$100 each and a consolation prize of \$50.

The prizes go to the five lucky junior associations, clubs, schools and soccer organisations who make the best contributions to AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY over the publishing period this year to September 30.

Contribution can be in story and/or pictorial form. Photographs should be in black and white although colour snaps are usually satisfactory as well.

The decision of the editorial staff of ASW will be final.

## REVESBY WORKERS UNDER NINE SQUAD



Pictured is Apia's Under 10 side, who have not been defeated for the past three seasons.



Pictured above is the club's successful Under 13 side, premiers and grand final winners.

### KU-RING-GAI DISTRICT SOCCER ASSOCIATION 1986 YOUTH LEAGUE SELECTION TRIALS

will be held at

#### WARRIMOO OVAL

Warrimoo Rd. St Ives.

5.30pm to 7.30pm on the following dates—

U/13 & U/14

MONDAYS 14th, 21st, 28th October 1985

U/15 & U/16

WEDNESDAY 16th, 23rd, 30th October 1985

Enquiries to Phil Rees 44 2190

Vic Pomeroy 476 2331

### APIA YOUTH LEAGUE TRIALS

NSW leading Youth League club  
invites players to trial for

Division One

Trials for Under 13s, 14s, 15s and

16s to be held at Timbrell Park

Five Dock, commencing at

5pm

The dates are as follows,

Thursday October 10,

Tuesday October 14,

Thursday October 17,

Tuesday October 21,

Thursday October 24.

Please contact club for any

information on 799 8997 or

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players, with a thorough understanding of teamwork

The club's U/13A side was this year formed due to the great response at our U/13 Youth League trials. Even though playing Association soccer, the club believes that this team could hold its own against most Youth League sides

The keenness of these boys was evident by the fact that they started training last December.

This proved to be of great benefit as the side won their competition by five points and did not lose a game in the process.

The team made a clean sweep of the competition, by going on to win the top four play offs

In the process they scored 106 goals, while conceding only ten goals. Leading goalscorer was George Curtni with 40 goals.

The club believes that this year's success can be repeated and surpassed as the coaching staff has been retained for 1986.

The reason for the success of all Apia sides, Youth League and juniors respectively is the policy followed by the club and all associated with it.

That being each player at trials are chosen solely on their merits



STEPHANE JEE

## ST GEORGE YOUTH LEAGUE TRIALS

Frank Arok and St George BBC invite players to trial for Division 1 Youth League

Under 13 & 14s,  
Tuesday, October 1st 1985  
Under 15 & 16s,  
Thursday October 3rd 1985  
at 5.30pm

St George Stadium,  
Bestic Street, Rockdale  
Please contact Youth League  
co-ordinator — Brian Long on  
0677 4204

## MELITA EAGLES SOCCER CLUB

### Group 1 YOUTH LEAGUE TRIALS

WILL BE HELD ON

15th, 22nd, 29th September  
and 6th of October

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Everley Rd, Sth Granville

CONTACT — E. Gili

Phone 631 9050

# NSW PREMIER SOCCER STATE

THE New South Wales Amateur Soccer Federation's State Representative teams created a trifecta in winning the Under 13, 14 and 15 National titles.

This is only the second time since the inception of the national junior championships in 1973, that a single State has taken out three titles in the one season.

The last time this outstanding achievement occurred was in the inaugural year of the national championships when NSW took out the then Under 12, 13 and 14 titles.

NSW reigned supreme, and there was no State able to stop the powerful NSW to the championship crown of Australia.

In their search to become the champion Soccer State, the three NSW teams between them netted a massive 88 goals and conceded a mere 6.

At the Under 13 national titles, held at Valentine Park, the NSW squad scored a sizzling 37 goals, conceding only one

NSW asserted its supremacy very early in the competition, by defeating their main challengers for the title on the very first day, then followed on with a 5-1 thrashing of South Australia on the second day.

Then on the third day NSW completely blitzed Western Australia 7-0

NSW had affectively clinched the championship with two days remaining, because they had attained a 4 point break, over the second placed team, which was Northern NSW

Whilst every player in the squad played extremely well, there was one member of the side who stood out as a promising prospect for the future.

Simon Beaufils, played a major role in every match, and this fine young athlete from Sydney City, has without a doubt a bright career in front of him.

Sydney City would be wise to ensure that this young player does not slip through their fingers.

The Under 14 National Championships were held in Adelaide, with again the NSW team going about their task in a workmanlike fashion.

This NSW squad had won the Under 13 National Championships in 1984, and was not prepared to surrender their mantle.

The squad was well prepared prior to its departure from Sydney and went to Adelaide to retain their title.

From all reports, the NSW team whilst in Adelaide was the most organised in the tournament and did not fall into the trap of being distracted from their mission by sightseeing trips.

The Queensland team did pose a threat to NSW, but stumbled on the third day when they drew their match against Victoria

The Northern NSW team which was anticipated to give the championships a shake started the competition unimpressively, but on the fourth day of the tournament, their high hopes for honours fell away

NSW in taking home the title did so the hard way.

They had a bye on day one, they had to go eight games straight.

John Consentino played a vital role in the NSW success, and this young man from the Apia Leichhardt club, played the opposition off the park.

Stefan Jee from St George, clinched the championship with a great goal against South Australia, which unfortunately after scoring he had to leave the field, and subsequently suffered a dislocated shoulder

Mike Wells, South Australia's director of coaching considered NSW were by far technically the best team in the championship.

Taralgon in Victoria was the venue for the Under 15 championships

The home State started favourites, but were in trouble from day one, when they drew their opening match against Queensland

When they were beaten by the ACT and then NSW, the Victorian team after being national champions in 1984 and eventually fell away to fifth place.



JOHN COSENTINO

The NSW team commenced the championships with a 2-0 win over South Australia.

However on the second day, the suffered

a setback when defeated 1-0 by the Western Australian side.

On the last day of the titles NSW sealed the championships with an impressive display against the strong and determined Queensland team, which ended in a 1-all draw.

Louis Triantafyllou, improved with every match, and impressed all coaches in his debut in the national titles.

Apart from winning all three titles, NSW were by far the most professionally organised and best outfitted squads.

The teams were kindly sponsored by Patrick for all of their strips and track suits.

The NSWASF are to be congratulated for the manner in which they looked after and conducted the affairs of their various State sides.



"THE REFEREE - YOUR FRIEND AND ASSISTANT!" That's the title put on this picture taken at a junior match in West Germany. He was obviously an understanding ref.

## NSW STEAMROLL THEM

NSW emerged as undefeated champions at the Australian Schools Soccer Federation titles held at the Australian Institute of Sport from Sept 2-6th.

The NSW team had obviously benefitted from their 8 day tour of New Zealand prior to the Championship and displayed teamwork and understanding of a high order. The NSW girls side also showed their

style by defeating the ACT in a Challenge series

The standard of Soccer was very high with all 7 states quickly adjusting to the progress surface.

The ACT team coached by Tom Serrano of the Canberra Olympians played well all week, without luck and Tasmania, coached by Steve Darby, surprised many teams with their lively style. Other sides to shine were Queensland, with their captain and Brisbane Lions star David Hunter, and Victoria brilliantly led by Footscray midfielder Ernie Tapai

The whole tournament was a major success with excellent television and newspaper coverage. Following the titles an Australian Schools side

was announced to tour England from Dec 29-Jan 20th 1986 by coach Chris James.

Sides—

1. Antoine Avelino NSW, 2 Scott Grant NSW, 3 Ernie Tapai Vic, 4 John Koch ACT, 5 Jason Pollack ACT, 6 David Hunter Qld, 7 Alan Armstrong WA, 8 Scott Watson NSW, 9 Darren Northern ACT, 10 Brian Ellem NSW, 11 Richard Leszczynski Tas, 12 John Williams SA, 13 Colin Junna Qld, 14 Scott Ollerenshaw NSW, 15 Kurt Leitner ACT, 16 Peter Groenwood Tas.

Tour Leader  
Chapman Bonner (Qld) Manager K. Peterson (WA) Coach Chris James (NSW) Asst coach D. Dummer (Tas).



BRIAN ELLEM (CAPTAIN)  
SCHOOL: ASQUITH HIGH SCHOOL  
CLUB: KURRING-GAI

Brian is a regular first grade player at Kur-ring-gai and is an exceptionally talented midfielder. He tackles strongly, is alert to players in support and has a strong shot. Brian was also a member of the NSW CHS team in 1984.



### UNDER 13 FINAL STANDINGS

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
NSW	7	0	0	37	1	14
N.S.W	5	0	2	16	5	10
Queensland	4	1	2	22	9	9
Western Australia	4	0	3	19	15	8
Victoria	3	1	3	18	8	7
Northern Territory	2	0	5	9	36	4
South Australia	1	1	5	4	20	3
Tasmania	0	1	6	3	35	15

### UNDER 14 FINAL STANDINGS

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
NSW	7	1	0	30	2	15
Queensland	6	2	0	29	1	14
N.S.W	4	2	2	19	7	10
Victoria	3	3	2	15	5	9
Western Australia	4	1	3	13	14	9
South Australia	3	3	2	9	11	9
ACT	2	0	6	14	23	4
Tasmania	0	0	8	2	43	0

### UNDER 15 FINAL STANDINGS

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
NSW	5	1	1	21	3	11
Queensland	3	4	0	14	3	10
South Australia	3	3	1	11	6	9
N.S.W	3	2	2	12	5	8
Victoria	2	3	2	11	6	7
Western Australia	2	2	3	14	12	6
ACT	2	1	4	11	17	5
Northern Territory	0	0	7	2	44	0

# NSWASF CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

19th SEPTEMBER, 1985

ROUND 1

NO. CLUB/ASSOCIATION GROUND TIME

## UNDER 8

1. PENDLE HILL	V BYE	---	---
2. ---	V ---	---	---
3. BANKSTOWN	V BYE	---	---
4. ---	V ---	---	---
5. ---	V ---	---	---
6. BLACKTOWN	V MITCHELL	MT DRUITT CENTRE NO. 1	9.00
7. ST GEORGE	V BYE	---	---
8. ---	V ---	---	---
9. STHN DISTRICTS	V BYE	---	---
10. ---	V ---	---	---
11. STHN & EASTERN	V BYE	---	---
12. NEPEAN	V ENFIELD ROVERS	MACKEY PARK 1	9.00

## UNDER 9

13. NORTH ROCKS	V MACARTHUR	MURRAY FARM RES.	9.00
14. ---	V ---	---	---
15. BANKSTOWN	V BYE	---	---
16. MANLY	V BYE	---	---
17. SAINTS UNITED	V TUMUT	L.H. WAUD	10.00
18. BLACKTOWN	V MITCHELL	ROOTY HILL RSL	10.00
19. ST GEORGE	V BYE	---	---
20. SYLVANIA	V LAKE ALBERT	BATES DRIVE	10.00
21. STHN DISTRICTS	V BYE	---	---
22. ---	V ---	---	---
23. STHN & EASTERN	V BYE	---	---
24. NEPEAN	V CONCORD	MACKEY PARK 1	10.00

## UNDER 10

25. MERRYLANDS SFC	V MACARTHUR	HAROLD WEST RES.	9.00
26. DAPTO	V HIGHLANDS	BALGOWNIE OVAL	9.00
27. BANKSTOWN	V BYE	---	---
28. MANLY	V ORANGE	WYATT AVE	10.00
29. NTH EPPING RANGERS	V BYE	---	---
30. BLACKTOWN	V MITCHELL	MT DRUITT CENTRE NO. 1	10.00
31. ST GEORGE	V GREENWELL POINT	PEAKHURST 1	9.30
32. SYLVANIA	V HENWOOD PARK	KAREELA 4	10.00
33. STHN DISTRICTS	V STHN TABLELANDS	STANWELL PARK	9.00
34. ---	V ---	---	---
35. STHN & EASTERN	V BYE	---	---
36. NEPEAN	V APIA	LAMBERT PARK	9.00

## UNDER 11

37. BAULKHAM HILLS	V MACARTHUR	HAROLD WEST RES.	10.00
38. BALGOWNIE	V HIGHLANDS	BALGOWNIE OVAL	10.00
39. BANKSTOWN	V BYE	---	---
40. MANLY	V ORANGE	WYATT AVE	11.00
41. NORMANHURST	V YOUNG	L.H. WAUD	11.00
42. BLACKTOWN	V MITCHELL	ROOTY HILL RSL	11.00
43. ST GEORGE	V ILLAROO	PEAKHURST 5	10.00
44. SYLVANIA	V LAKE ALBERT	BATES DRIVE	11.30
45. STHN DISTRICTS	V STHN TABLELANDS	STANWELL PARK	10.00
46. KURINGAI	V BYE	---	---
47. STHN & EASTERN	V DUBBO	CORAL SEA PARK	11.00
48. NEPEAN	V APIA	LAMBERT PARK	10.15

## UNDER 12

49. GREYSTANES	V MACARTHUR	HAROLD WEST RES.	11.30
50. BALGOWNIE	V BYE	---	---
51. BANKSTOWN	V BYE	---	---
52. MANLY	V ORANGE	CROMER PARK	10.00
53. BEECROFT	V BYE	---	---
54. BLACKTOWN	V MITCHELL	ROOTY HILL RSL	12.30
55. ST GEORGE	V BOMADERRY	PEAKHURST 1	11.00
56. SYLVANIA	V LAKE ALBERT	KAREELA 4	11.30
57. STHN DISTRICTS	V STHN TABLELANDS	STANWELL PARK	11.30
58. KURINGAI	V BYE	---	---
59. STHN & EASTERN	V BYE	---	---
60. NEPEAN	V APIA	LAMBERT PARK	11.30

## UNDER 13

61. PENDLE HILL	V MACARTHUR	MURRAY FARM RES.	10.00
62. BALGOWNIE	V HIGHLANDS	BALGOWNIE OVAL	11.30
63. BANKSTOWN	V BYE	---	---
64. MANLY	V ORANGE	CROMER PARK	11.30
65. NORMANHURST	V TEMORA	L.H. WAUD	12.30
66. BLACKTOWN	V MITCHELL	MT DRUITT CENTRE NO. 1	11.30
67. ST GEORGE	V SHOALHAVEN	PEAKHURST 5	11.30
68. MIRANDA	V LAKE ALBERT	BATES DRIVE	1.00
69. STHN DISTRICTS	V BYE	---	---
70. KURINGAI	V MIRIMBULA	GOLDEN JUBILEE	10.30
71. STHN & EASTERN	V BYE	---	---
72. NEPEAN	V APIA	LAMBERT PARK	1.00

## UNDER 14

73. WEST UNITED	V MACARTHUR	MURRAY FARM RES.	11.30
74. LAKE HEIGHTS	V HIGHLANDS	BALGOWNIE	1.00
75. BANKSTOWN	V BYE	---	---
76. MANLY	V ORANGE	WYATT AVE	12.30
77. HOLY CROSS COLLEGE	V BYE	---	---
78. BLACKTOWN	V MITCHELL	MT DRUITT CENTRE NO. 1	1.00
79. ST GEORGE	V ILLAROO	PEAKHURST 1	1.00
80. COMO	V ASHMONT	KAREELA 4	1.00
81. STHN DISTRICTS	V STHN TABLELANDS	STANWELL PARK	1.00
82. KURINGAI	V BYE	---	---
83. STHN & EASTERN	V DUBBO	CORAL SEA PARK	12.30
84. NEPEAN	V CANTERBURY	MACKEY PARK 1	11.00

## UNDER 15

85. NORTH ROCKS	V MACARTHUR	MURRAY FARM RES.	1.00
86. CORRIMAL	V BYE	---	---
87. BANKSTOWN	V BYE	---	---
88. MANLY	V ORANGE	CROMER PARK	1.00
89. CA'FORD R'BACKS	V BYE	---	---
90. BLACKTOWN	V MITCHELL	MT DRUITT CENTRE NO. 2	10.00
91. ST GEORGE	V SHHAVEN HEADS	PEAKHURST 5	1.00
92. KIRRAWEE	V BYE	---	---
93. STHN DISTRICTS	V BYE	---	---
94. KURINGAI	V BYE	---	---
95. ---	V ---	---	---
96. NEPEAN	V EARLWOOD W.	MACKEY PARK 1	12.30

## UNDER 16

97. CASTLE HILL	V BYE	---	---
98. FERNHILL	V BYE	---	---
99. BANKSTOWN	V YOOGALI SG	GEORGE GREEN	11.00
100. ---	V ---	---	---
101. NTH EPPING RANGERS	V BYE	---	---
102. BLACKTOWN	V MITCHELL	MT DRUITT CENTRE NO. 2	12.00
103. ST GEORGE	V ILLAROO	PEAKHURST 1	2.30
104. SYLVANIA	V LAKE ALBERT	BATES DRIVES	2.30
105. STHN DISTRICTS	V BYE	---	---
106. KURINGAI	V MALLACOTA	GOLDEN JUBILEE	12.30
107. STHN & EASTERN	V BYE	---	---
108. NEPEAN	V MARRICKVILLE	LAMBERT PARK	2.30

## UNDER 17

109. NORTH ROCKS	V MACARTHUR	MURRAY FARM RES.	2.30
110. WOONONA	V HIGHLANDS	BALGOWNIE	2.30
111. BANKSTOWN	V BYE	---	---
112. MANLY	V BYE	---	---
113. W. PENNANT HILLS	V BYE	---	---
114. BYE	V MITCHELL	---	---
115. ST GEORGE	V BYE	---	---
116. ---	V ---	---	---
117. STHN DISTRICTS	V BYE	---	---
118. KURINGAI	V BYE	---	---
119. ---	V ---	---	---
120. NEPEAN	V CANTERBURY	MACKEY PARK 1	2.30

## UNDER 18

121. NORTH ROCKS	V BYE	---	---
122. ---	V ---	---	---
123. BANKSTOWN	V BYE	---	---
124. ---	V ---	---	---
125. ---	V ---	---	---
126. BLACKTOWN	V MITCHELL	MT DRUITT CENTRE NO. 1	2.30
127. ST GEORGE	V BYE	---	---
128. KIRRAWEE	V BYE	---	---
129. STHN DISTRICTS	V BYE	---	---
130. KURINGAI	V BYE	---	---
131. ---	V ---	---	---
132. NEPEAN	V CANTERBURY	MACKEY PARK 2	10.30

## UNDER 21

133. PENDLE HILL	V MACARTHUR	HAROLD WEST RES.	12.30
134. ---	V ---	---	---
135. BANKSTOWN	V BYE	---	---
136. MANLY	V BYE	---	---
137. ---	V ---	---	---
138. BLACKTOWN	V MITCHELL	ROOTY HILL RSL	2.00
139. ST GEORGE	V BYE	---	---
140. GYMEA	V BYE	---	---
141. STH DISTRICTS	V BYE	---	---
142. KURINGAI	V BYE	---	---
143. ---	V ---	---	---
144. NEPEAN	V CANTERBURY	MACKEY PARK 2	12.30

## ALL AGE

145. G'VILLE WTHS	V MACARTHUR	HAROLD WEST RES.	2.30
146. BYE	V HIGHLANDS	---	---
147. BANKSTOWN	V HANWOODS SC.	GEORGE GREEN	1.00
148. MANLY	V BYE	---	---
149. WEST RYDE ROVERS	V S W SLOPES	L.H. WAUD	2.00
150. BLACKTOWN	V MITCHELL	MT DRUITT CENTRE NO. 2	2.00
151. ST GEORGE	V BYE	---	---
152. SUTHERLAND	V WAGGA	KAREELA 4	2.30
153. STHN DISTRICTS	V STHN TABLELANDS	STANWELL PARK	2.30
154. KURINGAI	V BEGA	GOLDEN JUBILEE	2.30
155. STHN & EASTERN	V BYE	---	---
156. NEPEAN	V BELMORE	MACKEY PARK 2	2.30

22nd SEPTEMBER, 1985

ROUND 2

NO. CLUB/ASSOCIATION GROUND TIME

## UNDER 8

157. W.1	V BYE	---	---
158. W.2	V BYE	---	---
159. W.3	V W.4	---	---
160. W.5	V W.6	---	---
161. W.7	V W.8	---	---
162. W.9	V W.10	---	---
163. W.11	V BYE	---	---
164. W.12	V BYE	---	---

## UNDER 9

165. W.13	V BYE	---	---
166. W.14	V BYE	---	---
167. W.15	V W.16	---	---
168. W.17	V W.18	---	---
169. W.19	V W.20	---	---
170. W.21	V W.22	---	---
171. W.23	V BYE	---	---
172. W.24	V BYE	---	---

## UNDER 10

173. W.25	V BYE	---	---
174. W.26	V BYE	---	---
175. W.27	V W.28	---	---
176. W.29	V W.30	---	---
177. W.31	V W.32	---	---
178. W.33	V W.34	---	---
179. W.35	V BYE	---	---
180. W.36	V BYE	---	---

## UNDER 11

181. W.37	V BYE	---	---
182. W.38	V BYE	---	---
183. W.39	V W.40	---	---
184. W.41	V W.42	---	---
185. W.43	V W.44	---	---
186. W.45	V W.46	---	---
187. W.47	V BYE	---	---
188. W.48	V BYE	---	---

## UNDER 12

189. W.49	V BYE	---	---
190. W.50	V BYE	---	---
191. W.51	V W.52	---	---
192. W.53	V W.54	---	---
193. W.55	V W.56	---	---
194. W.57	V W.58	---	---

195. W.59

V BYE

196. W.60

V BYE

## UNDER 13

197. W.61	V BYE	---	---
198. W.62	V BYE	---	---
199. W.63	V W.64	---	---
200. W.65	V W.66	---	---
201. W.67	V W.68	---	---
202. W.69	V W.70	---	---
203. W.71	V BYE	---	---
204. W.72	V BYE	---	---

## UNDER 14

205. W.73	V BYE	---	---
206. W.74	V BYE	---	---
207. W.75	V W.76	---	---
208. W.77	V W.78	---	---
209. W.79	V W.80	---	---
210. W.81	V W.82	---	---
211. W.83	V BYE	---	---
212. W.84	V BYE	---	---

## UNDER 15

213. W.85	V BYE	---	---
214. W.86	V BYE	---	---
215. W.87	V W.88	---	---
216. W.89	V W.90	---	---
217. W.91	V W.92	---	---
218. W.93	V W.94	---	---
219. W.95	V BYE	---	---
220. W.96	V BYE	---	---

## UNDER 16

221. W.97	V BYE	---	---
222. W.98	V BYE	---	---
223. W.99	V W.100	---	---
224. W.101	V W.102	---	---
225. W.103	V W.104	---	---
226. W.105	V W.106	---	---
227. W.107	V BYE	---	---
228. W.108	V BYE	---	---

## UNDER 17

229. W.109	V BYE	---	---
230. W.110	V BYE	---	---
231. W.111	V W.112	---	---
232. W.113	V W.114	---	---
233. W.115	V W.116	---	---
234. W.117	V W.118	---	---
235. W.119	V BYE	---	---
236. W.120	V BYE	---	---

## UNDER 18

237. W.121	V BYE	---	---
238. W.122	V BYE	---	---
239. W.123	V W.124	---	---
240. W.125	V W.126	---	---
241. W.127	V W.128	---	---
242. W.129	V W.130	---	---
243. W.131	V BYE	---	---
244. W.132	V BYE	---	---

## UNDER 21

245. W.133	V BYE	---	---
246. W.134	V BYE	---	---
247. W.135	V W.136	---	---
248. W.137	V W.138	---	---
249. W.139	V W.140	---	---
250. W.141	V W.142	---	---
251. W.143	V BYE	---	---
252. W.144	V BYE	---	---

## ALL AGE

253. W.145	V BYE
254. W.146	V BYE
255. W.147	V W.148
256. W.149	V W.150
257. W.151	V W.152
258. W.153	V W.154
259. W.155	V BYE
260. W.156	V BYE

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### WAVERLEY COLLEGE 1st XI SOCCER 1985

#### PRE SEASON MATCHES 1985

Waverley VS  
Waverley

St Laurences (Brisbane) Won 2-0, St Andrews Won 5-1, St Patricks Won 2-0, Sydney Grammar Won 2-0, St Pius Won 7-2.

#### INAUGURAL INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS CUP 1985

Waverley VS  
Waverley  
Cranbrook Won 2-1,  
Sydney Grammar

Won 1-0, St Aloysius  
Won 2-1, Knox (Final)  
Lost 0-1.

#### COMBINED ASSOCIATED SCHOOLS 1985

Waverley VS  
Waverley  
St Aloysius Won 1-0, Cranbrook Won 1-0, Knox Won 3-1, Trinity Won 1-0, Barker Won 2-1.  
Runners up for the Inaugural Independent Schools Cup 1985. Champions of CAS (Combined Associated Schools) 1985.

### SAVOR AND FRIEND



Wally Savor pictured with Sydney Croatia's Under 11 captain, Tony Sekulic. Savor coaches the side.

#### UNDER 13

281. W.197 V W.198  
282. W.199 V W.200  
283. W.201 V W.202  
284. W.203 V W.204

#### UNDER 14

285. W.205 V W.206  
286. W.207 V W.208  
287. W.209 V W.210  
288. W.211 V W.212

#### UNDER 15

289. W.213 V W.214  
290. W.215 V W.216  
291. W.217 V W.218  
292. W.219 V W.220

#### UNDER 16

293. W.221 V W.222  
294. W.223 V W.224  
295. W.225 V W.226  
296. W.227 V W.228

#### UNDER 17

297. W.229 V W.230  
298. W.231 V W.232  
299. W.233 V W.234  
300. W.235 V W.236

#### UNDER 18

301. W.237 V W.238  
302. W.239 V W.240  
303. W.241 V W.242  
304. W.243 V W.244

#### UNDER 21

305. W.245 V W.246  
306. W.247 V W.248  
307. W.249 V W.250  
308. W.251 V W.252

#### ALL AGE

309. W.253 V W.254  
310. W.255 V W.256  
311. W.257 V W.258  
312. W.259 V W.260

19th OCTOBER, 1985

ROUND 4

NO.	CLUB/ASSOCIATION	GROUND	TIME
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#### UNDER 8

313. W.261 V W.262  
314. W.263 V W.264

#### UNDER 9

315. W.265 V W.266  
316. W.267 V W.268

#### UNDER 10

317. W.269 V W.270  
318. W.271 V W.272

#### UNDER 11

319. W.273 V W.274  
320. W.275 V W.276

#### UNDER 12

321. W.277 V W.278  
322. W.279 V W.280

#### UNDER 13

323. W.281 V W.282  
324. W.283 V W.284

#### UNDER 14

325. W.285 V W.286  
326. W.287 V W.288

#### UNDER 15

327. W.289 V W.290  
328. W.291 V W.292

#### UNDER 16

329. W.293 V W.294  
330. W.295 V W.296

#### UNDER 17

331. W.297 V W.298  
332. W.299 V W.300

#### UNDER 18

333. W.301 V W.302  
334. W.303 V W.304

#### UNDER 21

335. W.305 V W.306  
336. W.307 V W.308

#### ALL AGE

337. W.309 V W.310  
338. W.311 V W.312

20th OCTOBER, 1985

ROUND 5  
FINALS

NO.	CLUB/ASSOCIATION	GROUND	TIME
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#### UNDER 8

339. W.313 V W.314

#### UNDER 9

340. W.315 V W.316

#### UNDER 10

341. W.317 V W.318

#### UNDER 11

342. W.319 V W.320

#### UNDER 12

343. W.321 V W.322

#### UNDER 13

344. W.323 V W.324

#### UNDER 14

345. W.325 V W.326

#### UNDER 15

346. W.327 V W.328

#### UNDER 16

347. W.329 V W.330

#### UNDER 17

348. W.331 V W.332

#### UNDER 18

349. W.333 V W.334

#### UNDER 21

350. W.335 V W.336

#### ALL AGE

351. W.337 V W.338

#### NSW CHS INTER-REGIONAL CHAMPIONS

#### METROPOLITAN WEST

Antoine Avellino Northmead High School, Mar Moffatt Blacktown Boys' High School, Robert Curbs Blacktown Boys' High School, Paul Quarumby Greystanes High School, Brian Kelly Greystanes High School, Jason Whant Blaxland High School, Nick Plataniotis Greystanes High School, David Slavic Grantham High School, Karl Fretwell St Marys High School, Laurie Di Gesu Girraween High School, Alex Nario Granville Boys' High School, Russell Gendle Parramatta High School, Nick Vuonanova Bidwell High School, Paul Jackson Castle Hill High School, Russell Wyatt Pendale Hill High School.

MANAGER: Mr Richie Williams — Grantham High School.

### ILLAWARRA/WOLLONGONG CITY UNDER 15

### NSW YOUTH LEAGUE TEAM — 1985



### NSW U/13 TEAM





1—Alston gets a little heated following a clash with Apia Leichhardt's, George Blues, 1972 — St George.  
2—'Noddy' does just that in the vital 1973 clash with Iran during the World Cup qualifiers.  
3—Alston punches the air in jubilation after cracking the first of his two goals against Iraq in 1973.  
4—Taking on the East German defence during Australia's first ever World Cup Finals match in 1974.  
5—Brought to grief by one of the desperate East German defenders in the '74 clash, lost 2-0 by the Soccerroos.



## 'OZ HEROES OF THE PAST'

**ADRIAN ALSTON** topped the NSW First Division goalscorer's list while with Safeway United before switching to St. George where he teamed up in attack with another prolific scorer, Mike Denton.

Both of them were to be included in the Australian squad that toured the world in late 1970, before Alston returned to Safeway in 1973.

Alston quickly attracted the nickname "Noddy" for his uncanny heading ability. This was only part of his armoury however, as he also had great skill on the ground.

His first international match was Australia's 1-0 victory over Greece in Sydney in 1969 — only a year after arriving from England.

With four goals, Alston was top scorer in Australia's World Cup qualifying series of 1973.

It was during the World Cup finals in West Germany that Alston caught the eye of English club officials. He along with the majority of the other Soccerroos were reported to have received offers from teams such as Hamburger SV, Eintracht Frankfurt and Hertha BSC (who seemed intent on chasing the whole Oz side.)

However England's Luton Town won the race and 'Noddy' signed for \$20,000.

He moved onto Cardiff City after one year for \$48,000.

From there he moved onto the booming NASL where he played for Tampa Bay Rowdies.

Late in 1978 the news reached Australia that Alston's career had been ended by serious cruciate ligament damage.

— FRANK COLETTA.

# ALAN VEST

**Writes  
for  
ASW**



PAUL KIRWAN

## U/16 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

BY ALAN VEST

THE U/16 National Championships and Talent Identification week took place at Monash University when the best U/16 players in Australia were on show.

The week started with very wet conditions and the pitches early were very muddy making it difficult for players.

Even though conditions weren't the best early, the ground staff and Victoria Federation did a fine job which resulted in as good a condition as was possible.

The NSW squad performed well throughout the week, much to the surprise of the critics including reports by certain people to their Melbourne colleagues that they were poor players and unlikely to win a game.

To say the boys wore the blue of NSW with pride is an understatement and they grew in stature as the week progressed.

It was very satisfying to see and there is no doubt that some who were boys at the outset became men by the end of the week.

In the final at Olympic Park the boys were unfortunate to go down 2-1 after extra time to a good Victorian team which included eight of the U/16 National team recently returned from China. Not only did they play well, but hit the woodwork on four occasions.

The NSW Squad was: George Bonhousas

(Sydney Olympic), David Barnett capt (Avala), Brett Budivee (Nepean), Sean Scott (Sydney City), Peter Bennett (Nepean), Bill Piatsikas (Sydney Olympic), David Scott (Blacktown), Peter Boyle (Blacktown), Russell Gendle (Blacktown), Keans Okon (Marconi), George Nonsis (Sydney Olympic), Michael Ryan (Sydney Olympic), David Aramy (St George), Chris Ackerley (Nepean), Dean Radice (Leichhardt), Paul Heyward (Blacktown).

Brian Williamson has assistant coach, Frank Campbell (Physio) and Eric Arneil (manager.)

It was a fine team effort and it's difficult to single players out but there were a few names in the NSW squad that people should note.

Chris Ackerley with three goals had a fine tournament along with his partner David Aranyi. Captain David Barrett and Brett Budivee were very solid at the back in every game.

Russell Gendle, Klans Okon and David Scott had fine performances in midfield and George Bonhousas in goal performed with distinction. The whole squad, though, deserved praise, and it would be nice to see the rest of the state get behind them.



NELIO BORGES

## FAIRY MEADOW GAIN REVENGE!

BY GEORGE STREETER

FAIRY MEADOW moved into the grand final of the TNT Skypak Soccer League First Grade when they defeated near rival Canterbury Marrickville by the only goal of the match at Marconi Stadium yesterday.

Although the game was not a classic it was a tense hard fought game which needed firm control by referee Owens.

In the fourth minute the Sportswriters Under 21 Player of the Year Chris Hummel did well in the Canterbury goal when he held a dangerous cross from Phil Mowbray.

Canterbury striker Nelio Borges was continually probing the Fairy Meadow defence and in the 23rd minute broke through and tested keeper Warwick Young with a fierce shot.

Canterbury should have been punished a minute later following a weak pass by defender Eddie Pena but still Phil Mowbray failed to connect.

Marco Silva shot wide of the post following a pin-point cross from Canterbury winger Paul Kirwan and immediately afterwards Borges sent a header wide of the post with the goal at his mercy.

Fairy Meadow took control in the second half and they went close when a Mick Richardson free kick was scrambled clear in nick of time.

Mowbray crossed an inswinger from the left and Pena was forced to head clear for a corner kick.

Good work by Kirwan gave George Kalogeras a golden opportunity to score but his drive deflected off the defender for a another corner.

In the 60th minute Richardson headed to the unmarked Jock Morlando but his stinging header was well held by Hummel.

Fairy Meadow scored the all important goal in the 63rd minute when Mowbray crossed from the left and as the ball eluded the hand of Hummel the alert Reg Chilby was on hand to slide the ball into the net.

Silva came close to snatching an equaliser late in the game but keeper Young took the ball from the players' feet.

Fairy Meadow coach John Fleming conceded that Canterbury were on top in the first half but

felt that his lads got their act together after the break and was particularly dangerous on the counter-attack.

Canterbury's Raul Blanco echoed the sentiments but claimed that his team should have

FAIRY MEADOW: W. Young, M. White, G. Morlando, P. Jones, L. Berringer, M. Montecchi, P. Mowbray, R. Miral, R. Chilby, M. Richardson (Fleming 71), G. Fontana.

CANTERBURY: C. Hummel, J. Karastyros, S. Hantzis, J. Radman, E. Tena, C. Ortega (Efthymidis 68), P. Kirwan, J. Anagnostopoulos (Mikovic 68), M. Silva, N. Borges, G. Kalogeras.

REFEREE: A. Owens.  
CROWD: 1200.

Second Grade: Melita 1 Sutherland 0 Goalscorer Serbas 21st minute and Third Grade: Manly beat Sutherland 4 goals to 3 on penalties after extra time.

INTER URBAN 3rd DIVISION — SEMI FINAL  
Dulwich Hill v Welcome Sports..... 0-2

TNT SKYPAK SOCCER LEAGUE  
MARCONI STADIUM — SEMI FINAL  
Sutherland Shire v Manly Warringah..... 3-4  
Melita Eagles v Sutherland Shire..... 1-0  
Cant. M'ville Oly v Fairy Meadow..... 0-1

STATE LEAGUE 2nd DIVISION — FINAL  
COOK PARK  
Penrith United v North Bankstown..... 2-1  
North Bankstown v Gladesville Hnsby..... 2-1  
Queens Park v Gladesville Hnsby..... 1-2

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# STRONG CHALLENGE TO NSW

NSW was certainly strongly challenged by South Queensland, Victoria and Northern NSW before it won the National Championship in Melbourne.

Match results were so close that NSW only won out 1-0 against Queensland and Northern NSW and drew 0-0 with the Victorians.

No-one could doubt the class of the NSW squad but it was only late in the tournament that they clicked in the goalscoring department.

In the South Queensland game midfielder Teresa McCann's shot was helped in to provide the winner.

And Queensland's Leanne Priestly made one of her rare misses from a first class position prior to that.

Queensland were strong on the back but suffered from the loss of Kerry Millman, Sharon Wass and Lisa Hateley from last year and the return of Julie Dolan to Sydney.

They did not miss a beat after the NSW game and were well spurred on by centre-back Joanne Millsman, who had a big tournament.

Midfielder Sue Monteath was at times little below her normal dynamic form, due largely to having dislocated a shoulder in a competition game in Brisbane and making a late recovery.

Against Northern NSW the result was decided on a penalty.

Deborah Saunders tackled Julie Dolan a metre inside the box—JD went up, and then down on the deck.

She didn't take long to put the penalty away as Northern goalkeeper Janelle Renshaw went to the wrong way.

The competition moved ahead and it was clear that if NSW was to be stopped it was the Victorians who could do it.

The Vics are certainly a very capable outfit when playing at home, where the heavy pitches are to their liking.

The came out in this game like champions, with free kick expert and defender Andrea Martin being left with too much room to operate.

But that very same player, who had an excellent tournament, drilled her penalty kick straight into NSW goalkeeper Toni McMahon's Arms in what could have been the winner.

Carol Vinson, the speedy NSW winger, went close for NSW with a header, and after that NSW was almost in but Theresa Jones pulled off one of her five splendid saves.

The trend changed and fortunately for NSW full-back Marie Russell was right in place to clear off the line.

The outcome was a scoreless draw. In fairness NSW did best overall, but they could just as easily have blown it.

In the final analysis it was NSW 15 points, Queensland 14, Victoria 12, Northern NSW 9, South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania 6, and ACT and Northern Territory 2.

There is no doubt that NSW caught the eye of experienced soccer observers.

When they string their passes together at their peak they were a delight to watch and a difficult to oppose.

Their management team of coach Alan Lytton, assistant John Doyle and manager Trixie Tagg had a few headaches but all the preparations paid off.

No less than nine NSW players made the 34 player Australian squad and others went close.

Rose van Bruinessen, with Western Australia at the tournament, will be back in Sydney shortly.

To run through the contestants:

**NSW**  
Lytton was able to use every one of his players by very early in the tournament.

The central defence of Mandi Langlaar and Margaret Petrov was retained as the stable element.

Experienced players such as Julie Dolan, Kim Lembryk, Leigh Wardell and Cindy Heydon were tops when they appeared.

Anissa Tann at full-back or in midfield, proved to be a natural player of extraordinary potential.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA**  
Coach Fred Robins would like to have met NSW a little later in the tournament.

This was an extremely workmanlike team with few weaknesses.

Defender Kim Dunlop looked the part and Leanne Prestly moved dangerously as central striker and here six goals were well taken.

Joanne Millman had a tremendous tournament and caused plenty of

trouble to her opponents.

**VICTORIA**  
Coach Janette Melvin had every reason to be pleased with this team.

Unfortunately striker Jane Oakley was injured early in the piece and Kate Warren-Smith was missed until late in the day.

Theresa Jones began tentatively in goal but she played a big part in Victoria's success later.

**NORTHERN NSW**

With two strong goalkeepers in Janelle Renshaw and Debra Donshore, and Susan Buswell in charge of the defence, the North had a handy side without really challenging at the top.

Unfortunately striker Renaye Iserief came with one injury and collected another.

Lisa Dunne has the potential to go on to bigger things with her speed and ball skills.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

Tested Northern NSW in round 3 and went on to defeat Northern Territory, ACT and then Western Australia.

After only being down 3-2 to NSW, they finally received an 8-2 caning. The team turned it on a times, and Mariana Milanovic in midfield displayed the class that makes her a player to watch.

**WESTERN AUSTRALIA**

Performed strongly at times — disappointed at others.

Tina Harding scored some great goals. Only went down 2-1 to Queensland.

**TASMANIA**

Ended even on points with SA and WA and generally regarded as the big improvers of Australian women's soccer.

Their attitude has pointed the way ahead of some other states.

**ACT**

Coach Clive Mackillop believes he has the team to do better.

They showed a certain amount of inconsistency under pressure. Julie Murray and Irish Leonards were amongst the stars.

ACT began with a prestigious draw with the Northern NSW, only went down 1-0 to Tasmania and later only lost 2-0 to the ultimate champions NSW.

**NORTHERN TERRITORY**

Continued their improvement, with Judy Eastaway, Sarah Cooper, Sabine Buschmann and Mia O'Donahue the stars.

Coach Peter Greenfield and his assistant David Smith believe they can field a stronger squad next season although goalkeeper Sabine Buschmann could be a loss to Western Australia.



Three Victorian players were in no mood to let Western Australia's Rose van Bruinessen make a burst. Rose, who played central midfield for the West is on the way to breaking through. In Victorian colours are midfielder Tracey Singleton (12), winger Debbie Nichols and with back to camera defender Geni Rampel.

## BIG NATIONAL SQUAD

NO less than 34 players are under National coach Fred Robins' eye for future international appearances.

With Australia's long distances and the limited amount of money currently available in women's soccer, the conducting of National team sessions is extremely difficult.

Players from NSW, Victoria, South Australia and Northern Territory had a session in Melbourne after the National Championships.

This was a forward move, even though tiredness after eight games in nine days limited the benefits.

The split-up of the chosen players was NSW 9, Northern NSW 5, Victoria 5, South Queensland 4, West Australia 3, South Australia 3, Tasmania 2, Northern Territory 2 and ACT 1.

There were a few selections and a few omissions that concerned some states, but like every coach, Fred Robins had an unenviable job.

Some states found that Robins' need for cover in various positions had led to his judgments.

The next commitment for Australia will be at Oceania in Christchurch in late March and early April 1986.

One of Robins' aims in fielding such a large squad is to put pressure on the leading players to perform.

Those coming up through the ranks will have the chance to measure themselves against the established stars.

Another factor is to provide cover for any recognised players who may pull out due to injury or for other reasons.

Then there is the position that occurred last year when National teams were needed for tours to both China and Chinese Taipei within a two month period.

On this basis, and although unlikely to occur in the future, prepared players should be fit and able to meet any reasonable challenge.

Fred Robins wants the entire squad to keep up the routines he has set until November.

They are to take up the exercise programme again at the end of January.



Rose van Bruinessen in a business-like mood as she towers over Victoria's captain and international Shona Bass. She is now returning home to Sydney after a season in Perth.

The full squad is: (NSW), Cindy Heydon (NSW), Kim Lembryk (NSW), Sharon Mateljan (WA), Mariana Milanovic (SA), Sue Monteath (SQ), Lisa Rader (Tas), Julie Murray (ACT), Tracy Singleton (Vic), Sarah Cooper (NT), Lisa Dunne (NNSW), Liz Elliott (Tas), Renaye Iserief (NNSW), Donna Mackay (SA), Jane Oakley (Vic), Julie Porter (NNSW), Leanne Prestley (SQ), Leigh Wardell (NSW), Jannine Riddington (NSW).



Fine specialist winger Debbie Nichols from Victoria is screened by the Western Australian defence in this action from the 1985 National Women's Championships.



Western Australian striker Tina Harding (no 5) scored seven goals in the recent National Championships for women. This time however Australian goalkeeper Theresa Jones (Victoria) has matters very much under control as she adopts a "no nonsense" approach.



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# SOCCER WORLD



## TIME FOR A TAN

YOU would think anyone forced to work and live in England's dreadful climate would be delighted to get a touch of the sun.

Not Richard Dinnis, though. The former Newcastle United team manager has taken on a well-paid job as assistant to Bob Houghton in Saudi Arabia. But Dinnis confessed: "I don't like the sun." Since Newcastle is one of England's coldest cities, the move to Saudi Arabia must have been quite an experience for Dinnis.

## MARVELLOUS MARADONA MONEY!

NOW it's official — Diego Maradona IS the highest-paid footballer in Italy.

When the Argentinian genius switched from Barcelona to Napoli, it was taken for granted that his contract would be the most generous financially offered to any player in Italy.

In fact, Maradona, who gets a basic \$28,000 per week, was not being paid as much as Brazilian Roberto Falcao received from A.S. Roma.

Falcao's pay was more than \$50,000 a week! Falcao, however, is no longer with Roma. The club was upset when he refused to be examined by their doctor and the injury-prone Brazilian is now demanding full settlement of his contract.

He has signed a one-year contract with Sao Paulo.

Who is third on the money-making table in Italy?

Germany's Karl Heinz Rummenigge is the man. Rummenigge picks up a useful weekly wage of \$16,000.

With such huge payments available, it is not surprising that players from all over the world are trying to gatecrash the Italian soccer scene.

## TEAM WAS NOT LADY — LIKE!

LAKE MARY RAMS of Orlando, Florida, are a team of ladies who recently toured the UK.

But it seems their behaviour on the field was anything but lady-like!

Playing against Chalfont St Peters girls, the Americans started a big brawl — although they claim the trouble was started by the English team.

One American player, Kirsten Jones, insisted: "The English girls came at us like animals."

"There was a lot of elbowing going on. It's bad enough being elbowing if you're a man but it is very painful if you're a girl. That's why

our team retaliated."

But the Lake Mary Rams say they'd love to make a return tour to England.



VLADIMIR PETROVIC

# HAMBURG WANT A NEW NAME

SV HAMBURG are considering changing their name although such a radical move would certainly upset many of their supporters.

It seems Hamburg are worried about their image. Supporters of the club are among the worst behaved in Germany.

Hamburg have hired an agency to help clean up the club's image and put a stop to hooliganism.

And if anyone can come up with a satisfactory new name for the club, he can collect a prize of \$350,000.

Imagine how this could work out in England!

Chelsea might be renamed "The Head Hunters" ... Leeds United "The Yorkshire Assassins" ... Liverpool "Daiglish Dynamo" ...

Arsenal "Howe's Howlers" ... and Hartlepool "The Born Losers."



Tony Morley on the move.

## REAL SIGN UP THE DENTIST

REAL MADRID's expensive new signing, Hugo Sanchez, the Mexican international, is a qualified dentist.

Perhaps that's just as well because he has a reputation for smacking team-mates in the mouth at training!

Sanchez was fined when he knocked a tooth out of a team-mate's mouth at a pre-season session.

Did Hugo the dentist offer to repair the damage?

## MCGARRY JOINS ZAMBIA

ZAMBIA has appointed Bill McGarry as national coach, giving the former star English midfielder a lucrative two-year contract to work in Lusaka.

McGarry was hoping to be appointed manager of Wolves in England but he got tired of waiting.

He was formerly national coach in South Africa.

## BRUNO TAKES OVER

BRUNO PEZZEY is the new captain of Austria, a fitting honour for a player who has represented his country 71 times.

Pezzey plays in Germany for Werder Bremen.

As national captain, he succeeds the great Herbert Prohaska, who surprised many people by retiring from representing football.



Hugo Sanchez in action

## FLAMENGO SELL UBALDO FILLOL

ARGENTINA's World Cup goalkeeper Ubaldo Fillol has left Brazilian club Flamengo — and the fans are glad to see the back of him.

Fillol, like many goalkeepers, is something of an odd character.

Flamengo officials claim he was more trouble than he was worth and they are now determined not to sign any more foreign stars.

Fillol, meanwhile, will try his luck in Spain. Atletico Madrid bought him for a bargain fee of \$160,000.

VLADIMIR PETROVIC, the Yugoslavian ace who couldn't quite make the grade in English football with Arsenal, has had another switch of clubs.

Petrovic has left Antwerp, the Belgian club, and has joined Brest in France.



UBALDO FILLOL

## DISEASE SPREADS

FANS of MSV Duisberg attacked SV Hamburg fans recently — but the attack was kilometres away from any football ground.

Hamburg supporters were returning home on the autobahn when their bus was the target for stone-throwing Duisberg fans who also rained flares on the vehicle from a bridge over the road.

The bus driver had to take evasive action. Three passengers were injured as he skidded into the sanctuary of a leg-by.



More violence

## VENABLES SIGNS UP

BARCELONA moved quickly to re-sign coach Terry Venables when "El Tel" dropped a hint that he might retire from football.

Venables' new contract guarantees him a wage of \$10,000 a week! He had no hesitation

in signing it, which means he will stay with Barcelona until the end of the 1986-87 season.

## MORLEY GOES FREE

SEIKO, the Hong Kong team now coached by Gordon McQueen, ex-Manchester United centre-half, has recruited former England winger Tony Morley.

Morley's career has taken a big downturn.

Two years ago, he was first choice for England when he was with Aston Villa.

Morley then moved to neighbours West Brom.

Last week, Seiko secured his services ... on a free transfer.

## PLEA WAS IN VAIN

ROMA ANCONESTANI, president of Pisa — no he doesn't lean to one side! — broadcast a message of goodwill and peace before Pisa's friendly fixture against Sampdoria and said the Brussels disaster must never happen again.

Fans responded to Anconestani's message by hurling rocks at each other and attempting to smash a security fence!

## CLUB'S HEFTY DEBT

MONEY is no object for Real Madrid as they attempt to regain the Spanish first division title from Barcelona.

Real have made some significant buys and, at last count, were about \$14,000,000 in debt.

ONLY last week, the death toll from the Brussels European Cup riot was increased by one.

A Sicilian, who had been in a coma since the Heysel Stadium horror, died and took the death figure to 39.

# UK Scene

## JOHN SHOULD BLOW THE WHISTLE!

SOCCKER referee John Hunting is a top man when it comes to keeping players in order — he was honoured with the appointment of referee in the Everton v Watford F.A.Cup Final at Wembley.

Maybe he should have a word with his tennis-playing son, Anthony.

The young Hunting, 17, was expelled from Britain's top junior tournament — the Prudential Grass Court Championship after a racket-throwing tantrum.

Mike Sartin, the tournament director, said: "We really had no alternative."

"Anthony's record over the past 12 months has been such that re-

ferencees have had to speak to him more than any other child.

"We want to encourage aggressive play but we can't have people behaving like John McEnroe — which is only bad for the game."

Last year, Anthony Hunting was disqualified from a tournament in Bramhall, just a few weeks before his dad handled the Wembley Cup Final.

## 'NO SALE' SAYS DALGLISH

PAUL WALSH has not been a big success since he moved from Luton Town to Liverpool — but Liverpool boss Ken Dalglish denies the player is up for sale.

Aston Villa offered \$800,000 plus midfielder Steve McMahon for Walsh but Dalglish insisted: "There is no chance of Walsh going to Villa." At 22, Walsh is overdue to win a regular first team spot at Anfield. His career there has been handicapped by operations on his leg and stomach.

Oddly enough, Steve McMahon turned down the chance of going to Liverpool two years ago when Villa bought him from Everton.

At the time, McMahon feared the hostility of Everton fans if he moved to the old enemy, Liverpool.



DALGLISH

McMAHON

## THOSE WAYWARD ARSENAL MEN

ARSENAL boss Don Howe admitted to shareholders that he had not been strict enough with some players who have stepped out of line.

In the past 14 months, four Arsenal players, Tony Woodcock, Charlie Nicholas, Graham Rix and Raphael Meade, have been banned from driving and Chris Whyte was found guilty on a fraud charge.

"I should have been stricter when the first player misbehaved," said Howe, "but you tend to think that, if they are punished by law, they will have learned a lesson."

Arsenal showed a loss last season of nearly \$1,000,000, taking their deficit for the past two years to \$2,400,000.



CHARLIE NICHOLAS

## UEFA'S HARD HEARTS

LIVERPOOL and Juventus were anxious to form a combined team to play the Rest of Europe in a charity match to raise funds for victims of the Brussels disaster.

Unfortunately, UEFA flatly refused to allow such a match — because of the ban on Liverpool international matches.

Seems it is more important to stick to the rules than to help the suffering.

## SWANSEA BOARD BATTLE

SWANSEA CITY have lost another chairman — their fourth in two years.

Latest departure is Winston Rees, a local travel agent, who complained of boardroom bickering.

Two other directors, Doug Sharpe and Glyn Hammond, also quit the crisis club.

Rees said he had been frustrated in his efforts to raise new cash for Swansea, a club which almost went out of existence a few months ago.

## INJURY HITS PIKE

GEOFF PIKE, West Ham's midfielder, will be out of action for six weeks after an operation on the lining of his stomach.

Pike collapsed in pre-season training.

## KENNY THE QUIET MAN

THERE has been quite a bit of criticism of Kenny Dalglish, Liverpool's new player-manager, because he is not opening up to the media.

Before becoming manager, Dalglish was never one to talk much to the press, but he has gone even more silent now.

Dalglish has been criticised by Denis Law for this.

As Law said: "It is not so much a matter of giving stories to reporters as telling the Liverpool fans what's going on. That should be a duty — not a chore."

## ABOVE THE LAW

BERT MILLICHIP, chairman of the English F.A., is upset about certain actions taken by some clubs — and he said do in the F.A. Newsletter.

Millichip wrote: "We are concerned at the growing tendency of clubs and individuals to take legal action against the football authorities when acting in conformity with their rules and in pursuit of legitimate objectives."

If we can work out what he means, it seems Millichip reckons the F.A. should be beyond the law of the land and therefore exempt from being sued!

## LANGUAGE PROBLEM!

DANISH international defender, Soren Busk, is no longer on QPR's shopping list.

New QPR boss Jim Smith has lost interest in the Dane because, as he says: "I am still getting to know the players here and I don't want to learn a foreign language as well."

We thought everyone in Denmark spoke English!

## SPEEDIE IS TOUGH GUY

DAVE SPEEDIE of Chelsea could line-up against Australia for Scotland in the World Cup eliminations in November.

If he does, the Soccer-oos will be facing a tough customer.

Chelsea's match against Leicester City but he is no stranger to trouble.

Last season, Speedie was suspended four times.

## JIMMY IS A REAL CASE

JIMMY CASE of Southampton refutes the suggestion that he is making soccer's badly-tarnished image look even worse.

With the new season only a fortnight old, Case was sent off once and booked three times... in four games.

After being sent off against Aston Villa, the midfielder said: "I cannot change the way I play."

"I have got to play a competitive game. I cannot go out there are be nice to everyone because that's not what football is all about."

Case believes some referees are gunning for him but he did say: "The ref's job is the hardest in the world."



Jimmy 'Real' Case

## BURKINSHAW WON'T STAY IN BAHREIN

KEITH BURKINSHAW, former Spurs boss, has no intention of remaining exiled in the Middle East.

Burkinshaw was in England recently as national coach of Bahrain and saw his team of World Cup hopefuls beaten 5 - 4 by a Spurs side at Cheshunt.

He told people at the game: "I want to come back to England to work when my contract with Bahrain expires."

That will be in about 12 months time.



KEITH BURKINSHAW